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The mail steamship *Union*, Capt. ADAMS, arrived between 9 and 10 o'clock on Saturday night. She left Havre and Southampton on the 9th inst.

On Tuesday the 22d inst., the Union went ashore on Sable Island in a thick fog, and remained ashore for fifteen hours. Capt. ADAMS was compelled to throw overboard fifty tons of coal, and start all the water. She was then got off without receiving any material damage.

## FRANCE.

Retirement of M. Drouyn de Lhuys—News of the War—Miscellaneous Intelligence.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

PARIS, Thursday, May 10, 1855.

The most honest of the members of the French Government,—the statesman the most desirous of obtaining peace by honorable means, and indeed the most convinced that it would be better to obtain it by concession, and even sacrifice,—M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has retired from his department, on the heels of, and in consequence of, his mission to Vienna. He returned from that capital the bearer of propositions that Austria had drawn up, and that he thought the belligerents would be wise to accept. He had even said so at Vienna. He had expressed a conviction that the Emperor would share his opinion. But, on his return, he was coldly received, and intimations fell from the imperial lips that he had allowed himself to be *duped*, that he, tinged with the views of Count BUOL. M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, acting in the interests of France, was of one opinion, and LOUIS NAPOLEON, absorbed in the contemplation of his own prospects and his own advantage, was very decidedly of another. The prosperity of the nation would be best consulted by the restoration of peace; but the position of LOUIS NAPOLEON might be very seriously compromised by an abandonment of the war. So the Minister, having identified himself with a rejected policy, thought it proper to retire with the system, and was speedily replaced by the Envoy to England.

There are two important deductions to be drawn from this Cabinet crisis. First, LOUIS NAPOLEON is so warlike, that he cannot accept even such bases for peace as appear acceptable to a cool, sagacious and experienced statesman; and secondly, he has lost confidence in AUSTRIA, as he considers her capable of making propositions humiliating to the Allies, and as he notices, or affects to notice, an anti-French tendency in the mind of his Plenipotentiary, just returned from the sphere of Austrian influence. The incident is to be interpreted as indicating renewed vigor in the prosecution of the war, and the probability that the German powers will all maintain an armed neutrality.

M. DROUYN DE LHUYS was probably the most able Cabinet Minister LOUIS NAPOLEON ever had in his Government, though it is certainly necessary to state that M. THOUVENEL, the *chef de bureau* under him, wrote the famous diplomatic papers which have been place, to his superior's credit. M. THOUVENEL has lately been much more in favor of the war than the Minister above him; and therefore, the promotion of M. THOUVENEL to the post of Ambassador to Constantinople, ten days before the resignation of M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, is supposed not to have been without its influence on that gentleman's determination; for the extension of a cold welcome to himself, and the conferring of such extraordinary preferment upon his subordinate, who differed from his own view, certainly looked like a condemnation of his own policy, and a marked recognition of the views of the foreign diplomatist. But the apparent motive for the Minister's retirement is certainly potent enough, without seeking for such a really inadequate consideration as this.

As for the progress of the war, there is nothing new, except a slight success that the Allies have obtained over some Russian outworks. It is without bearing, however, upon the general prospects of the invaders. The probability continues to be that they will not be able to make the assault, and that if they do they will be well nigh annihilated by the tremendous engines of destruction prepared for their reception. The whole tenor of the letters from the Crimea—and even of many of those intended for publication in France—is that the resources of the Russians are inexhaustible, their perseverance and fertility of invention wonderful, their courage and resolution indomitable. The deserters afford them no more of that comfort that they were wont to be cunning enough to offer, in order to insure a hearty welcome—that the besieged were suffering from hunger, and wanted both men and ammunition. They are blunt enough now roundly to assert that there is no lack either of troops, of food, or of powder and ball. Besides, the telescope of Lord RAGLAN has long been treacherous enough to reveal those "immense convoys of provisions" which are continually entering the city. Another horror is beginning to perplex the Allies—the want of water in Summer. Water will be required for 100,000 men, let us suppose, and 30,000 horses and mules. St. ARNAUD was vastly pleased when he thought he had condemned Sebastopol to the miseries of unslaked thirst. But it is likely that CANROBERT contemplates the possibility of meeting that fate himself with very dissimilar emotions. We have nothing positive yet of the execution of a diversion in the interior of the Crimea; as for the expedition to the Baltic, no one thinks of it or speaks about it. Cronstadt is believed to be stronger than Sebastopol, though in a different way, and the prospect is thought to be anything but flattering.

The amazing miracle of telegraphic communication with the allied camp off Sebastopol, now takes place daily. The Government gets a good deal of information in this way, but of all that it has learned of the proceedings of the invaders from the 5th to the 9th of May, (yesterday,) it has only published one fact, in three lines; namely, the arrival at Balaklava of the Sardinian general, with 4,000 troops. This must have gratified Lord RAGLAN, who telegraphed to England to hasten them, some time ago.

Mr. CRILLER, an American resident of Paris, and who writes to the London Times from time to time, over the signature of A "Stater" man, has just published a caustic article on the American view of the war and the strong sympathies of the Americans with Russia. This article was published yesterday, the 9th, and you cannot do your readers a greater favor than by transferring it to your columns. It is so close and comprehensive, lucid and conclusive.

PIANORI, the Emperor's assassin, appeared yesterday at the Court of Cassation. It was the Emperor's desire to have everything finished, execution and all, before the 15th, the day of the Inauguration of the Crystal Palace. It is reported that his Majesty means to commute the punishment to transportation.

The Society of the Crystal Palace, together with the Imperial Commission, have abandoned their ambition of granting no free passes whatever. Exceptions have been made in favor of exhibitors and foreign Commissioners, and by the express interference of S. A. I. Prince NAPOLEON JEROME, in favor of newspapermen, both French and foreign. Two season tickets will be placed at the disposal of every important or prominent journal—one for the editor, the other for the reporter or the correspondent. So Prince NAPOLEON has saved me fifty francs for nothing, as I should undoubtedly have charged the disbursement to you, he has saved you that sum. I trust you will remember this when called upon to express an opinion upon his private character, or his military career. So if Mr. RAYMOND decides to visit Paris, I will have a ticket ready for him. But I would not advise him to come if he is at all thin-skinned on the subject of American appearance. It will grieve me café's pride to see the figure we cut in the exhibition.

I have this week received a letter from a resident at Turin, in which he goes into some details upon the state of public opinion in Sardinia. He says—and indeed no one can doubt the fact—that the people were and are entirely and unanimously opposed to taking a part in the Russian war, and that the Government was literally "kicked into it" by England and France. It is thought, too, exceedingly hard, that such an uncalled for and uninterested cooperation should be effected by soldiers raised by conscription. At the most, volunteers should have been sent upon this very volunteer war. Of the whole fifteen thousand it is not supposed that any will ever return, but the sick and the wounded. It is calculated that this step will put Piedmont back half a century in the match of improvement. She must suspend her public works while thus engaged in foreign war. She has not the means of undertaking distant enterprises without sacrificing her internal progress. The very problematical civilization for which she has gone to fight, will hardly compensate for the very certain compromise of her own civilization at home. Genoa, the seaport of Sardinia, expects to be the first to suffer, in the loss of the proposed steamer line to New-York. Steamers to the Crimea will be much more necessary. In short, Sardinia is very seriously dissatisfied with her position in the European complication, and bitterly regrets the part she is obliged to take in active hostilities. Of course you will not expect to see these views put forward in any English or French paper, but I have no doubt they are entertained by nine-tenths of the inhabitants. The Piedmontese correspondents both at Turin and Genoa, and though, of course, these gentlemen would not be permitted to represent the state of feeling as it really is, they at least have never said a word from which the inference might be drawn that the country was gratified at what had occurred. The first installment, as I have said, of her troops, is reported yesterday as having arrived at Sebastopol. Poor fellows! Destined, every one of them, to perish on a foreign soil, and in a cause in which they have not the shadow of an interest.

ABD-EL-KADER, having been turned out of house and home by the earthquake of Brussa, and being obliged to camp in a tent outside the city, has sent to LOUIS NAPOLEON to ask permission to visit the Great Exposition. It is probable that he has heard of the famous landscape in the American Department—already familiarly known as the worst landscape that ever was painted,—and is desirous of beholding it. It is, however, improper that he should come, as LOUIS NAPOLEON is an Emperor of Peace, and ABD-EL-KADER is a trophy of war.

Here is the most utterly incomprehensible item it has ever been my duty or my fortune to chronicle. The Regent of Portugal has just sent to ST. LEON, the ballet dancer, the decoration of the Order of Christ. That the limber choreograph deserved the Royal encouragement, I can conceive, but why choose the Order of Christ? The Garter would have been better for ST. LEON. I may add that our Prefect of Police has also received from the Regent of Portugal this badge of the Order of Christ. This is quite as appropriate as the late action of the British Government in the case of CANROBERT. He and his army were soaked by the opened floodgates of Heaven, and up to their knees in slosh, and this auspicious moment was chosen to dub him Knight of the Bath!

ARSENE HOUSSAYE, the manager of the Comedie Française, has published a duodecimo which will make a sensation. It is the history of the 41st arm chair at the French Academy. As there are but forty seats in this institution, the forty-first is an imaginary one, and the author successively places in it those illustrious men of letters, whom cabal, intrigue, combination, or other influences, have prevented from ever reaching Academic immortality. Each of them pronounces a reception speech, and these speeches are the staple of the book. It would actually appear as if the most famous literary men of France are just those not voted famous by this vast appliance of mutual admiration. Look at a few names on this list of the disinherited: DESCARTES, PASCAL, MOLIERE, LAROCHEFOUCAULD, ST. SIMON, LE SAGE, ROUSSEAU, DIDEROT, BEAUMARCHAIS, MIRABEAU, BALZAC, LAMENNAIS, DUMAS, BERANGER. The speech of the latter, I should add, is a song, in which the author has not unsuccessfully imitated the style and characteristics of the jolly old chansonier.

Apropos of BERANGER, and the publication of a new illustrated edition of his works, the *Univers* pours out a phial of up pent wrath. The editor of the *Univers*, that holy Jesuit, in your true vitriol man. No one can spatter about fine language in a style at all comparable to that of this chief support of the Catholic faith in France. But the *Charivari*, not a redoubtable adversary when it is in jest, but a terrible antagonist when in earnest, has administered a rebuke to M. LOUIS VEUILLOT which has sent the squat devotee spinning. The *Charivari*'s article is worthy of VICTOR HUGO, and indeed is written by one of his disciples, TAXILE DELORD. The conclusion is a sharp hit: "But what a saintly approval of the poet would there be in the sanctum, what joy in the shop, would BERANGER just consent to write a song in honor of the miracle of La Salette!"

But not even BERANGER could now reinstate "La Salette." The Virgin that appeared to the two shepherds is now proved to have been one Mlle. LEMARLIERE, of Grenoble. At any rate, a pamphlet, published by the Abbé DELOUE, which carefully investigates the fact, attributed the miracle to her. The lady, naturally indignant, sued the Abbé DELOUE for defamation, and twenty thousand francs damages. The trial has taken place, and the result is that public opinion will settle upon Miss LEMARLIERE as the sole author, instigator and abettor of the apparition. She lost her suit, and the Abbé, in a series of very long "considerings," and "whereases," received the congratulations of the Court, for the spirit of justice and equity which pervades his work, and the evident desire of eliciting the truth, in the interest of religion, in which it seems to have been written. Thus it appears that even a French Court has put upon record that the interests of religion may be consulted by proving miraculous virgins to be Grenoble mortals, and a heavenly apparition to be a quintal mademoiselle. How speedily a little toleration, a little education, and a little free press would unfold the secret of the machinery which makes Mahomets to weep and wink, the blood of saints to liquify, and wooden babies to smile.

The edition of *Galignani* pretend to a circulation of 2,000 copies and over. This I find to be considerably exaggerated. The whole edition printed is 2,000 copies, and deducting for the exchange list, the number of paying subscribers may safely be put at 1,625. However, the exceptional nature of its position gives it a reputation to which it is not entitled by either merit or influence, and it is much better known than many papers with ten times its circulation.

The proprietor of the American Bar, (sandwich, grog and brandy warehouse,) announces that he will this day introduce another American innovation; that is, he will furnish, for the price of one franc, a lunch, in which the liquor consumed will only be charged for—the customer being at liberty to eat as much salad and cold meat as he likes for nothing. I distinctly remember the pint of ale, in America, which we used to pay for, and the crackers and cheese and cold cut of mutton which the hospitable provider threw in, beyond the agreement; but I think the custom one which will hardly bear transplanting.

The Grand Opera is soon to produce BYRON's "Corsaire," in the form of a ballet—Mlle. ROSATI being the *Gulnare*. I should think the Censure would suppress this entertainment—as, after what has been done by the Government against privateers, this investing corsairs with poetical and moral attractions, seems somewhat inconsistent.

DICK TINTO.

## SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Law of Release from Mortmain.

Interesting Debate in the Cortes on American Affairs.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

PARIS, Wednesday, May 9, 1855.

The law of release from Mortmain has been sanctioned by the Queen of Spain after considerable effort to prevent it on the part of the priests' party, and those who are united to them for their own political purposes. These had conceived the hope at one moment of prevailing on the Queen to risk the refusal of her sanction to the law; but the attitude of the Democratic fraction of the Assembly, as well as the great Liberal party which supports the Ministry, made all resistance hopeless. The Queen, however, was given to understand pretty plainly that she was in the alternative either of signing the bill or of abdicating the throne. Several gentlemen of the King's household, as well as the Primate of Spain, the Cardinal Archbishop of Toledo, have been sent away from the Court for their opposition to the popular will in this matter.

The value of the property released from Mortmain by this measure is estimated as high as $300,000,000, but no accurate statistics are as yet prepared. Probably the Treasury of Spain may not realize an actual benefit of more than from $150,000,000 to $200,000,000. The country, however, reaps the still higher benefit that the clergy will henceforth be dependent upon the Government and people for their subsistence, and not independent of them. Spain has secured also the benefit of an inevitable rupture with the Pope.

The relations between our own Government and that of Madrid continue to excite the liveliest interest. It appears that the Democratic opposition in the Cortes has determined to support the Ministry in its policy of peace and good friendship with the United States, strengthening its hands to pursue such a course as will disabuse the people of the United States of the ten thousand errors which Mr. SOULE and the filibusters have worked so hard to invent. I cannot do better than to give you a pretty full and correct translation of the speeches made in the Cortes on the 3d inst., by Señor ORDAX AVECILLA, chief orator of the Democrats or Mountain, and Señor LUZURIAGA, Minister of State.

The question was on a call for the documents in the affairs of the *Black Warrior* and the *El Dorado*. In its support Señor ORDAX said:

"The resolution which has just been read carries with itself all the recommendation which I could give in a discourse. It asks to know what is the actual state of a diplomatic negotiation with the Republic of the United States, whose relations with us may affect in so many ways our national interests and the interests of our dignity. For some time past, Sir, a lively and warm debate has been heard in all the press from America to Spain, from New-York to Cadiz, concerning the difficulties and conflicts which have been excited between the Government of the United States and the Spanish Government. This discussion, of so much importance, has been augmenting day by day, and now to the hour when these relations are described to a minister as grave and transcendental that, if it be true, would give cause to fear a serious discord, and perhaps a rupture between the two Governments. On one side it would appear that the danger of a war is imminent, and on the other that peace is already settled, and that the conditions of it are stipulated and agreed upon. Either of these opinions involves a question of the first order, not only for Spain, but for the world.

A war between Spain and the United States, the possession of Cuba, that key of the Atlantic and mistress of all the commercial nations of the globe, cannot be considered as a question of party politics in either of the two countries, nor even as of national interest only; it must be considered as an interest of Christendom, because the war for Cuba between Spain and the United States would necessarily be propagated throughout Europe and the world.

The importance of our relations with that country cannot be exaggerated; and when in the American Congress the documents concerning a celebrated conference held in Canada by the Representatives of the United States have been called for, when this subject preoccupies the attention of the two Cabinets on this side and the other of the Atlantic, how shall the Spanish Congress be silent? But in order that the Spanish Congress speak—in order that it may pronounce its verdict upon Spanish policy in relation with American policy, and may judge the respective attitudes of both Governments, one preliminary is necessary—the knowledge of the cases. For this object we must see the documents which have produced the anxiety, agitation in some, illusion in others, and the hope of a favorable solution in all. The questions which are principally known are those which refer to the embargo of the American vessel, the *Black Warrior*, and to a new occurrence which took place with the American vessel, the *El Dorado*.

It is not possible to enter upon these subjects now. They should be the object of a debate upon the documents which shall be brought before the Congress. Upon these questions, then, that occurred in Cuba, I will only give you a rapid sketch, that you may see that in fact upon the relations of the two Governments, in the policy of the United States with respect to Cuba, and in the policy of the Government of Madrid, there have arisen; and you can understand that, the position of things should spread uneasiness and fermentation among the American people, and ferment, at the same time that spirit known in Europe as the filibustering spirit or that of piracy, the spirit of that [illegible] prevailing the principles of nationality and [illegible] But the filibustering spirit is a thing—and I take pleasure in saying it here before the Spanish people and the world—is a thing entirely distinct from the true spirit of the American people.

The American people does not produce—does not foment that filibustering policy; it does not like the policy of war, nor that of provocation—nor that of conquest. It is a great people, and I have some data for saying you that it does not wish for the island of Cuba "at any price, and at any cost," but that it desires with the cordial relations and an honorable peace, and that it does not countenance filibustering, that just [illegible] people. What then ought to be the policy of the Spanish people? The policy of the Spanish Government—ought it to be that of the filibusters of America, that of conquest, that of division between the two peoples, that of hostility and war? No, certainly, it would have its policy it would not be national—it would be a policy depressive of the principles of justice, that which in the kind of relations should be adopted—that which should be followed in diplomatic negotiation.

If such were the policy of the Spanish Government, it would be confronting fleet with the American fleet, [illegible] I take pleasure in believing that it is not [illegible]—that it is more loyal and more proper for the Spanish people in their relations with foreign nations. I take pleasure in believing that the Government is the faithful organ of the sentiments of the people, and that its conduct will not be that of conquest, prey, [illegible] of war, but that of cordiality, of sympathy, of a noble, frank, liberal and sincere, with the United States, for the mutual interest and mutual glory of both countries. Then if that day should arrive, in spite of such being the Spanish policy, when the good relations between the two countries should be broken, there would be no excuse for the United States; one manifesto of reprobation and of execration would be raised against them, and in favor of our country, saying: Spain is right, and on its side is justice. And if the United States should persist in provoking a valiant and decided nation, as is the Spanish one, allied to right and by justice, Spain will triumph, in spite of her complacencies and her moderations. But if the aggression should come from the Spanish Government, there would be no necessity for denunciation nor impeachment, or words, [illegible] which to condemn its conduct. Let the principle of his conduct be that of nationality and of [illegible] and if war should come let it remain in what is the glory of Spanish valor, but never, never, let the very shadow from the act of Spain.

The Minister of State will see that I have not come here to create complications nor to make a speech in opposition, but only to ask for the presentation of the documents necessary, in order that the country may know what there is in this subject.

The Minister of State, Señor LUZURIAGA, then said:

GENTLEMEN: In ordinary circumstances there would be no inconvenience in presenting all the documents relative to the affair of the Black Warrior, because, in fact, it is settled; and I have the satisfaction to announce to the Cortes that it has been settled in a manner and good accord between the two Governments.

But the present circumstances in our relations which refer to the Island of Cuba are not ordinary—[illegible] will understand without my saying it. Claims have disposed that with the constitution of this Ministry, the beginning of two other questions has extended, and although they may appear independent, they, while nevertheless affect in some degree the determination which would be put upon the table. If the Cortes, in its patriotism, would have the patience to await the conclusion of these two, which ought not to be long delayed, then there would be no kind of inconvenience.

Nevertheless, the Government will not oppose their presentation. The Government has to give an account of its conduct in this affair, and it should oppose the presentation of these documents, it would appear as when giving that account.

This consideration makes me not to insist; I leave it entirely to the patriotism of the Deputies. There is another consideration also for suspending the presentation of these documents, and it is that the conduct of the public officers of the Havana in this business is about to be submitted to a judgment; and it is manifest well that the weight of the Parliament and of the debate which is opened here, should be invested into the cause which is prosecuted against individuals.

For the rest, in order that the Cortes may proceed with full knowledge, I have no difficulty in giving some explanations. I shall speak, very briefly, of the *El Dorado*—that question is still pending; but I hope that it will be terminated soon and amicably, and with a good termination; however, if at first the American Government conceived some suspicion that the point of view regarded already by that country and [illegible] ought to be examined on the part of the Spanish officers now, it ought to be [illegible] undeceived. It is informed already of the [illegible] which our authorities had received from the Governor, Captain-General of Cuba, which represented that they should operate that the [illegible] reputations, and should have necessary to [illegible] those vessels which might come endeavor the [illegible] and to convert or follow the suspicions [illegible] should enter the jurisdictional waters of any [illegible] a right unquestionable and unquestioned. Consequently, the whole question comes to be reduced to the appreciation of the fact, which may indeed be interesting to the officer of the *Fernione*, but which leaves the Government well covered. The issue has not violated or intended to exercise the right of visit, which in which might have complicated the question.

The Señor ORDAX AVECILLA has spoken on the of peace policy and a war policy, and of a policy which in truth I have not well understood. The gentleman says that it is proposed an energetic prosecution of Cuba without war and by legitimate means; and there are no legitimate means of acquiring it; for there is no other right than that of the Spanish nation, and that will never give a legitimate title to any one for its acquisition, for this would be alienation; and I have already said, on other occasions, that the Spanish nation would never alienate the Island of Cuba, for its honor is concerned. (Applause by general acclamation.) I do not, then, understand this so-called Granada policy, or rather it is well understood, for it is the intuition which it really expresses—an intuition which, happily, is far from that slightly [illegible] the Señor ORDAX AVECILLA to the American people. The American people is great, noble and loyal, and would entertain these ideas of usurping the property of others. No, it does not entertain them; but in the American people, as everywhere else, there are [illegible] who shamed their private pretensions towards the [illegible] of private interest, of the interest of the people which they sign to write.

Her Majesty's Government, which has, as certainly

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[illegible] Government of the United States [illegible] Madrid by a person who took upon [illegible] would not be forgotten, who [illegible] very often, but who gave it all [illegible] a question of national honor, of a [illegible] manner not [illegible] that the end might be a misunderstanding [illegible] between two nations, and he making this [illegible] unnecessarily, or making it appear necessary, [illegible] was not one of those which presented an [illegible] worthy of notice.

The Government of the United States had addressed [illegible] to their representative, a document [illegible] which the thought proper to keep in his [illegible] the date of October, when he made it known [illegible] this communication, the Secretary of State of the United States made a reclamation [illegible] very strong terms. He [illegible] reviewing and much force of argument [illegible] for reparation, but at [illegible] employed this language, he felt [illegible] the question entirely reduced within the limits of justice.

He did not elevate it to the rank of a question of [illegible] of independence. Nothing of the kind; he strengthened the arguments of justice, but brought it on this ground, manifesting clearly [illegible] he did not wish any other character to be given [illegible], and I do not know if this will explain why this communication of the 23d of June was not presented till the 5th of December.

There is another circumstance which may contribute [illegible] this, and this is, that in the interval the [illegible] attached to by the Señor ORDAX [illegible]

The object of this conference, the principles there proclaimed, the tendencies there manifested, are public. Accordingly, this conduct was absolutely and diametrically opposed to the pacific and friendly spirit of the note of the 23d of June. Perhaps here the [illegible] may be found. To the presentation of this note followed several verbal conferences between the Representative of the United States and the Minister who now has the honor to address the Cortes. The first persisted in the same course as before. Her Majesty's Government gave what answer was then thought convenient. Her Majesty's Government was resolved to do justice, but would not have it imposed upon it.

At this time occurred the retirement of that Minister, who certainly wished to give his departure the [illegible] of a measure, if not hostile, at least [illegible] and nevertheless it was no more than an ordinary measure. His policy did not accord with that of his Government; he had resigned, and his resignation had been accepted, and, upon accepting it, his Government expressed itself in the usual terms of [illegible] will towards the Spanish Government; so that, gentlemen, the Spanish Government, in view of the communication of the 23d of June, which it had received on the 5th of December, in view of the terms in which the change of the person of the American representative at Madrid had been effected, the whole entirely confirmed by the frank and loyal language, in entire conformity with this, of his Government, of the gentleman who, by these events, commenced to represent that Government here, and who worthily represents it to-day—all this, I say, put Her Majesty's Government in perfect liberty to act without her acts being able to be attributed to anything else than conviction. This obliged it to make a conscientious examination of the antecedents. The Minister was not satisfied with doing this himself. The Minister submitted these to the directors, to the chiefs of what had been negotiated, to five, six or seven persons of those who understood this matter, and had already had a great deal to do with it.

It called and invoked to its aid other intelligent persons, and the unanimous opinion of all was the following:

There exists, gentlemen, in the Havana, as every where else, rules which fix the formalities of the manifest which vessels have to make for their dispatch, &c.

The Minister then proceeds to give a detailed account of the state of the affair to the Cortes, and of the manner of its settlement, which, being in entire conformity with what is generally understood in the United States, [illegible] not repeat here.

Señ. ORDAX AVECILLA said: "I have not heard all the speech of Minister of State has had the goodness to skip, but I will believe, in general, that the explanations which I have heard have satisfied me. [illegible] to the policy of Ostende, I did so on purpose [illegible] to say to the Spanish Parliament, and to say to the country, that it has not been, that it is not, and will not be, the policy of the Spanish Democratic party. On this account, and for this purpose, I have referred to this transaction, and for this purpose I have spoken of this policy.

[illegible] the Minister will permit me [illegible] the commencement of society there has been no more legitimate means of acquisition that purchase [illegible] of both parties agree. In this sense I spoke of the Ostende policy, not that I or my party would accept it, or has been instructed, but to have it understood that [illegible] the principle of exaction; but the Minister said, and I repeat, that there is nothing more legitimate than to wish to buy—and nothing more illegitimate than not to wish to sell. This was the moral and political effect of the words and principles which have been referred to me, with the phrase of policy of Ostende. [illegible] understood that I have not [illegible] this filibustering policy, which is not that of the only American people, a generous people, but the people, who indubitably wish for just and cordial relations with Spain, like those that we wish for with them. This is what I have wished to say. [illegible] Rome, in haste, AN AMERICAN.

The America's mails arrived from Boston on Saturday evening, bringing us London papers of the 18th inst., from which we make the following copious extracts.

### The Vienna Conferences.

The papers, consisting of fourteen protocols, relating to the negotiations at Vienna on the Eastern question, have been presented to both Houses of Parliament. They are lengthy and tedious with diplomatic formalities. The following articles from the London *Times* contains a fair synopsis of their contents, and will be found more readable than the documents themselves:

The papers relating to the negotiation at Vienna on the Eastern question, which have now been presented to Parliament, are confined to the official protocols and memoranda of those celebrated Conferences; but these papers contain a full and authentic record of the propositions made by the several powers on this occasion, of the arguments by which they were supported and opposed, and of the catastrophe by which they were ultimately defeated. We are safe in asserting that it is impossible to read the perusal of these documents without conviction that the Russian Ministers were throughout playing a dishonest game, that the acceptance of the Points by Russia was a mere pretence, and that the only proposition which was at least made on behalf of the Emperor of St. Petersburg was positively insulting to the other powers of Europe from its absurdity. These opinions expressed in more courtly and cautious language, are the same with which Count Buol concluded the proceedings of the Conference. We, however, desiring at present upon a subject of such importance, to be as brief as possible, we shall first put the reader in possession of a summary of the transactions of the conferences.

The Conferences opened at Vienna on the 15th of March by a speech from Count Buol, who was unanimously elected President. In this speech he set forth the object of the Conference, which was an examination of the Russian proposition, and the adoption of a common basis for the negotiation. He concluded by declaring that "the Emperor of a world had made up his mind on the most pacific conditions of peace, and that nothing—not even the most serious obstacles—would prevent the Highest from every honorable sacrifice to the engagement which he had contracted on his Allies." These conditions are the well-known four Points, which had been the subject of so much discussion in the Russian Empire, and which, if Russia accepted, would place all the great powers in a position to say that they had obtained all they required, and were ready to sheathe the sword. The Russian plenipotentiaries, in the negotiations, had declared, in the name of Russia and England, that they considered that these principles were to be regarded as beyond discussion, and that the application of them alone remained to be determined. The order of the discussion was then fixed to take—1. The Danubian Principalities; 2. The navigation of the Danube; 3. The limitation of the power of Russia in the Black Sea; and 4. The status of the Christian subjects of the Porte.

The Russian Ministers (after an ineffectual attempt to exclude the admission of Turkey to the Conference) contended that the question of permanent occupation of the frontier fortresses existing in the subject of the Pruth, in addition between Russia and Turkey, and the future [illegible] of those provinces was to be noticed by a column not belonging to Europe, providing for the maintenance of all the privileges and liberties of the Moldo-Wallachians and the Servians, under the amicable [illegible] of the Great Powers. All executive protection was to be abolished, and the Russian Plenipotentiaries showed a singular, but laudable zeal that the [illegible] of the people in these provinces should in [illegible] be abridged. The executive organization of a scheme for the administration of the Principalities was referred to a committee, which was to wait for further [illegible] from the Principalities.

The question of the Danube navigation was in like manner settled without much difficulty. Russia protested that she had never contested or opposed the commercial freedom of the river, and that the obstacles which had arisen proceeded from natural causes only—to which remark Baron PROKESCH drily replied, that although he in no respect questioned the good intentions of the Russian Government on this subject, it unfortunately happened that the results were inconsistently as variance with her professions. The arrangement mutually agreed upon provided that the principles established in 1815 with reference to the other navigable rivers of Europe should be applied to the Danube and guaranteed by all the Powers, and that a commission of all the great Powers should be appointed to take all the necessary steps for opening and protecting the free navigation of the river. Russia agreed not to reestablish her quarantine on the Sulina mouth, and that no fortification should be erected between the channels of Sulina and St. George.

On the 26th of March the plenipotentiaries arrived at the discussion of the third point, upon which Count Buol proposed that the Ministers of Russia and of Turkey should be the first to state the requests to state respectively to the conference the means by which they proposed to give effect to this general stipulation. This simplicate proposition was assented to by France and England, but declined by Prince GORTSCHAKOFF, who stated he was not in a condition to take the course suggested by Count Buol, and an adjournment was then agreed upon for the purpose of allowing time for ALI PASHA to arrive from Constantinople, M. DROUYN DE LHUYS from Paris, and further instructions from St. Petersburg. Austria urged the expediency of proceeding in this interval of time to the discussion of the fourth point, and strongly supported this opinion; but the French and English Envoys were ordered by their respective Governments to abstain from discussing the last point until the third had been settled.

On the 17th of April, after an interruption of 18 days, the Conference resumed, in order to learn the result of the reference to St. Petersburg. Prince GORTSCHAKOFF at once declined the offer made him at the former meeting, and to originate any proposal; but he added, that Russia was prepared to take into her serious consideration any means which might be proposed, provided they were not of a nature to infringe on the rights of sovereignty of the Emperor of Russia in his own dominions. Upon this announcement M. DROUYN DE LHUYS (who was now present,) expressed his regret that, after 18 days' delay, the Russian Plenipotentiaries had no better communication to make to the Conference; he therefore proposed that the Allied Powers should immediately meet to agree upon a proposition; and he ended by asking Prince GORTSCHAKOFF whether Russia would consider her rights of sovereignty infringed if she deprived herself of the liberty of building an unlimited number of war in the Black Sea? To this home question Prince GORTSCHAKOFF replied that "Russia would not consent to the strength of her navy being restricted to any fixed number, either by treaty or any other means." As this declaration virtually settled the main question, and terminated the negotiation in a few days, it is needless for us in this place to pursue the arguments which were adduced for and against the principle of limitation, although they well deserve an attentive consideration. It is of more immediate importance to observe the conduct of Russia to the end of the transaction.

In addition to the cessation of the naval preponderance of Russia in the Black Sea, the third point was to provide for a closer connection between the Ottoman Empire and the general system of Europe. To effect this arrangement a clause was drawn up by M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, which bound all the Powers to respect the independence and territorial integrity of the Ottoman Empire, and to guarantee in common the strict observance of this engagement. On this point Prince GORTSCHAKOFF at once refused to accede to this guarantee as a significant proof of the Turkish territories—a most significant proof of the real spirit in which the Russians engaged in these negotiations! Pressed, however, at last to explain more fully the views of St. Petersburg, since it had already rejected the means proposed for the attainment of the third point, Prince GORTSCHAKOFF read a paper on the 31st of April to the Conference, in which he attempted to show that Turkey was so closely in no danger from the naval forces of Russia, and ended by declaring that Russia would not object to a revision of the treaty of 1841 for the purpose of opening to the military flags of all nations the passage of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles. That is literally the only concession which Russia announced her intention to make on this subject,—a concession, indeed, made at the expense of Turkey rather than at her own. It was followed by another suggestion, of closing the Straits at the pleasure of the Porte; but these schemes were so obviously worthless and impracticable that nothing remained for the British and French Plenipotentiaries but to refuse to discuss them, and to declare that their powers and instructions were exhausted. The Austrian Envoy, nevertheless, ventured to insist with extraordinary impudence that he had redeemed the pledge of his Government by making several propositions for the solution of the difficulty; but the only value of these propositions in our eyes, and in the eyes of Europe, is the demonstration they contain that Russia will not, until she is compelled, consent to give any guarantee for the territorial independence of Turkey the breach of which would constitute an immediate *casus belli* between herself and all the other Great Powers; and that Russia will maintain, as long as she is physically able to do so, that aggressive position in the Black Sea which has been the sole cause of the present war. Count BUOL terminated the Conference, as he had opened it, by declaring that, in the opinion of the Court of Vienna, the plan proposed by M. DROUYN DE LHUYS and rejected by Russia was complete and effectual, but that the counter-propositions of Russia were not so, and could not be considered as embodying principles proper to be introduced into a complete and general system of policy. These words leave no doubt as to the cause of the failure of the negotiation, and throw the whole burden of the fresh rupture on the Russian Cabinet. Indeed, the chief value of this transaction is, that it has laid bare, and demonstrated in the face of Europe, the insolent and aggressive character of the enemy we have opposed to us, and shown that if the Allied Powers are resolved to avert the perils and evils which the preponderance of Russia threatens to inflict on Europe, they can only obtain that result by the successful and united prosecution of the war.

### The Vienna Negotiations in the British Parliament—Official Statements.

In the House of Commons on the 10th inst., Mr. BUTANT said he wished to ask the noble lord at the head of the Government a question, arising out of the protocols which had been laid upon the table of the House. He observed that in the last protocol there was a passage which gave the opinion of the Austrian Government with regard to the Russian proposition for peace. The Austrian ministry stated that the proposition seemed to him to admit of a practical application, that it admitted, at all events, of discussion, and contained the elements out of which Austria would endeavor to offer something which might lead to settlement of the question now at issue. He wished to ask the noble lord whether the Austrian Government had submitted any proposition since the 20th of April, which was the date of the last protocol, and whether he would be able to lay that proposition before the House as distinctly as the other propositions were now before the House? He should like also to ask whether any proposition—and there was a strong rumor of one having come from Paris—had been received; and further, if they were to understand that the negotiations were finally closed? He said this, because he should not like to bring forward any motion relative to the negotiations if he thought they were not absolutely terminated. (Hear, hear.)

Lord PALMERSTON said there had been no formal or written proposal made by the Austrian Government since the period to which the honorable gentleman alluded. Verbal communications had passed between the representatives of the Austrian Government and those of the English and French Governments, and also between the representatives of the French and English Governments; but he was sure the honorable gentleman would feel that, considering the state in which the relations between the three Governments were, it would be for the public interests to give a detailed explanation with regard to them. With respect to the question whether the negotiations were entirely broken off, his answer was nothing of that sort. He gave the other evening—that the elements of a conciliation existed at Vienna—that there was there a British representative, a French representative, a representative of Turkey, a representative of Austria, and a representative of Sardinia; and that if those, acting freely, they thought proper, was made, either by Russia directly, or by Austria on the part of Russia, which appeared to offer a fair prospect of the resumption of negotiations leading to a successful issue, there were the means and elements for resuming them.

Mr. BUTANT wished to know whether the house was to understand that the matter was in such a condition that any motion with regard to these negotiations, and the fullest discussion of them, would not be opposed by the Government as prejudicial to the public service.

Lord PALMERSTON said, of course the honorable gentleman was the best judge of his own discretion on the subject. If he (Lord PALMERSTON's) opinion were asked, he should say that he did not think any public advantage would arise, and he could imagine that certain inconvenience might result, from the Government being compelled to give an opinion upon what had passed, upon proposals made and proposals objected to, embracing, in short, the whole field of discussion connected with the negotiation between this country and the other countries concerned in the transaction.

### American Sympathies in the European War.

*To the Editor of the London Times.*

SIR: Since the commencement of the war with Russia there have been many, and the appeared in the English papers an expression of surprise, real or affected, that the Americans, in their sympathies, are not on your side. It has been attempted to be shown how, by every calculation of self-interest, they ought to set their faces against the Czar, and pray for blessings on his enemies. They have been repeatedly told how poor has limited is their commerce with the barbarians of the North, and how rich and boundless is their intercourse with those who are opening the nostrils of liberty and civilization. On the one hand, motives, the most mercenary are presented to a people who, if greedy of gain, are slavish of exposure; and, on the other, the most political warnings are uttered against the contagion of a despotic Government, when the English themselves are the closest allies of that with another Government which is not a whit less despotic either in theory or in practice.

Without stopping to decide whether Americans are more generosity inclined to Russia than to those who, in spite of negative protestations, are evidently straining every nerve to humiliate her, it is not difficult to comprehend why such a disposition should be not uncommon throughout the States. If I mistake not, there exists a strong and general conviction among disinterested persons that the present frightful struggle between Christian nations in arms is a disgrace to the 19th century; that the object of it is as unattainable and unwise as it is indescribable; that no contingent or prospective danger to Europe or to India was sufficiently menacing to justify in the sight of God the slaughter of His chief handiwork on earth at the rate of 200,000 souls a year, or in the sight of man the destruction of his hard earnings, as an to outstrip the almost miraculous productiveness of the present day; and that when Russia consents, as she has done, to the demands of the allied commerce, the Baltic, the Black Sea, and the protectorate of the Principalities, and the navigation of the Danube, to require her, in the plenitude of her strength and the height of her pride, to assist in tying her own hands, in an indignity to which none would submit, save a fool who is more than one-half coward. Is it to be wondered at, then, if among other impartial observers some Americans be found who, seeing Russia battered on an expectation, by the allies, call upon them, as another set of self-righteous accusers were once asserted, to "cast the first stone?"

If American sympathies do indeed lean towards him against whom, single-handed as he fights, are banded the hosts of the West, some good reasons may perhaps be suggested for what is in your eyes an unnatural state of feeling. While English diplomacy and consuls have been unwearied in their efforts to circumvent and destroy American influence on American territory, the Russian Government has not only always maintained amicable relations with that of the United States, but it has never attempted to thwart American agents in the performance of their duties. Nor has a Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs at any time ever formally and deliberately enunciated, as did Lord CLARENDON, an intention to undertake the supervision of matters on the other side of the Atlantic. It was not Russian, but English accredited agents who, aided by British officers, have within a few years succeeded in baffling the United States in designs which, if accomplished, would have benefited the commerce of all nations. The Sandwich Islands, St. Domingo, and the State of Ecuador on the Pacific bear witness to their mischievous and clever machinations. England, likewise, through her representative, tried to force upon the Central American Government of Guatemala a Belgian colonization treaty, executed and repudiated by that Government, the herself being under bonds to the United States not to settle any of her own subjects in that quarter of the world.

Then, again, the English press, not to be slack in offending those whom it is bound by duty and interest to conciliate, never lets slip an opportunity for abusing and ridiculing the Americans. It seems to be as if it is necessary to confound a few outlawed men, aliens for the most part, with the whole nation. Whether it be the atrocious seizure of a harmless trading ship by Cuban undertings, or the untowered arrest of a plenipotentiary, the occasion is pounced upon with a rabid [illegible] which shows how venomous is the intent that lies behind. I know your reply will be, as it has been, that you are in the habit of roughly handling your own Government and governors, not excepting even royalty itself, when by chance a "truant disposition" unmercifully appears, and that therefore you are quite at liberty to speak your mind about others. But there is a wide difference between one who is at liberty to castigate his own children, and one who, any provocation was made, either by Russia directly, or by Austria on the part of Russia, which appeared to offer a fair prospect of the resumption of negotiations leading to a successful issue, there were the means and elements for resuming them.

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to the rule they apply to their neighbors, and believe that the standard of Christian charity on earth is only unjustifiable and unattainable, and that we were Russia, to submit to such a proposition we would show herself half out, half toward. But he forgets that to this very object Russia has herself formally consented, and that, if such consent has not been carried out into a formal treaty, it is only because that by a series of the most disreputable quibbles and evasions Russia has deliberately eluded the consequences of a principle which she has herself, in the most solemn and emphatic manner, laid down as the basis of negotiation. The argument then comes to this—that America sympathizes with Russia because England and France demand from Russia terms which Russia herself admitted to be just, and which, prior to negotiation. If some people are more Catholic than the Pope, surely our correspondent is more Russian than the Czar. Another cause which induces America to sympathize with the wrong against the right is that *England, being a maritime Power, is necessarily brought into collision with America, while Russia, having no commerce, has no grounds of discussion.* That such jealousies may operate on the minds of a commercial nation we do not dispute, but as they make no difference whatever in the justice of the cause for which our English correspondent in no respect strengthens his cause by adverting to them, and does his nation little credit by imputing to it such motives. Then the English press actually presumes to canvass the conduct of the American people with the same freedom it exercises towards its own Government, its own institutions, and even royalty itself. There is, we suspect, the real gravamen of the charge. America is the land of liberty, and it is lawful for her unbound press to utter, unchecked, the most scandalous accusations against individuals and the most bitter imputations against political parties; but if an American citizen presumes, by speech or writing, to call in question the policy, the political character, or the domestic institutions of the nation—if he hint that a Government which designedly gives to physical labor a superiority over intellectual capacity,—which, while preaching non-intervention to its people, sends out to European countries, under the name of Ambassadors and Consuls, agents of insurrection and disorder, he is soon taught to bow to the will of the majority, and to learn that even in the land of liberty free discussion on all subjects is not permitted. From this democratic conservatism the press of England is proportionally exempt, and it is therefore no wonder that our American correspondent should hear with impatience from writers cloaked truths that they will not tolerate from journalists and statesmen at home. The next ground for sympathy with Russia is the *belief of some people in America that England and France were, under the pretence of succoring Spain, meditating a Crimean expedition to the Western Hemisphere.* Such an expedition could only be caused by aggressive policy on the part of America, and now, when we know that human life is so sacred in her eyes that no contingent or prospective danger justified war, and that all foreign interference is an "ill-paid trade," there can be, on our correspondent's own showing, no possible reason for such an insinuation. We conclude, i. e., that our correspondent has given no reasonable or consistent grounds for American sympathy with Russia; but we believe that those grounds for which such sympathy exists are not difficult to find. The slaveholding States sympathize with the Czar as a slaveholder; the filibustering factions admire—as they would imitate, if they could—the vast scale of his aggressions; and Democracy, claiming that its will should be above all law, sympathizes with a man who has established for himself the same awful exemption; and both are led by their several creeds, so contrary in appearance, so identical in fact, to hate a country where law is made by majorities, even at the will of the many or the few, and where the absolute equality of mankind is no part of the political system, and therefore serves as an excuse neither to the despotism of the one nor the tyranny of the many.

## THE WAR.

### THE SIEGE OF SEBASTOPOL.

We continue to publish the most interesting extracts from the various correspondents of the London papers, on the progress of the siege.

**Prospects of Operations in the Crimea.**

The *Times* correspondent writes: It is the opinion of the best informed military men that it would not be only useless but impossible, as we are at present circumstanced, to make an incursion into the country with sufficient force to operate against the Russian army with permanent advantage. It may have been an imprudent step to have set down before (or behind) Sebastopol, but once there we cannot retire. If we were to withdraw our guns and stores it would take weeks of labor, during which the enemy would redouble their exertions in fortifying the heights around us, to raise back our *matériel*, and no one, I suppose, for a moment thinks it would be advisable to abandon them. It would require a very considerable force to hold these heights. If we left them, the enemy would most likely occupy them, and our forces are certainly not strong enough to invest them and the north side at the same time. It seems that there is nothing for it but patience. Every day the difficulties of Russia in feeding her Crimean army and in supplying the munitions of war to Sebastopol will increase. The transport of the Crimea, has been "used up" long ago, and at present carts and cattle from Poland have been brought down, and are engaged in conveying provisions and *matériel* to the place. Although Russian iron is excellent, it cannot last for ever—guns must wear out, and shot and shell do not grow. With the sea at our command, we find it difficult to keep up the supply of shot and shell for our batteries, and even when we do land them, although we possess a railway half way to the trenches, our difficulties seem only to begin. What means Russia would adopt to keep her batteries efficient in Winter is, I trust, matters of very profitless speculation, because there is no reason to think that we shall be able to hold out so long against our and mine, bombardment and cannonade, particularly when General CANROBERT "enlarges his circle" of operations. Every day we diminish our distance from the enemy, who does, it must be said, his best to meet us; but, although his outworks are advanced, the line of his batteries on the left has been perforce considerably retired. As our advances are made, the parallels behind are strengthened and put into a fit state for mounting guns in them, which will be close to the enemy's works, and produce a corresponding effect, though with increased loss and damage to ourselves from the Russian guns. The process thus goes on, in proportion to our strength and the enemy's weakness, day after day, and bit by bit the ground is won from them; and, though the town itself may be defended by infinitesimal batteries in the water's edge, so long as we can keep our works clear of the enemy, and can maintain our fire against them, there can be no doubt of ultimate success, if the external army is unable to force the allies to raise the siege.

**Supply of Ammunition.**

Our batteries are nearly silent—a few guns and mortars reply to an occasional shot from the Redan and Round Tower at long intervals, and there seems to be a ship behind the Round Tower, which harasses our right attack by an odd shell now and then. What a contrast to the French on our left, and even on our right! They have never ceased to fire, and the Russians return shot for shot, whenever the mass of ruins and rubbish in which their batteries are enveloped. The day before yesterday the enemy opened a new battery, which is up among the houses of the town, on a ridge near the Governor's house, and directed a very heavy fire on the French, with a diversion now and then on the left of our left attack. In the right attack yesterday we had two gunners killed, and the platforms of two guns broken; but, although these batteries have all been severely handled, they have reduced the fire of the Mamelon and of the Round Tower with great success. Still we must give the French every praise for the persevering efforts of their attack, deprived as they have been of their fair share of supplies from our fire in the early days of the attack. They have certainly atoned for their failure on the 17th of October, which was caused by the melancholy accidents to their magazines. There are mysterious whispers that we shall "open fire again in a few days," with an allowance of 100 rounds a gun per diem. A supply of some useful 56 and a few 68 pounder guns has been brought up from Balaklava to the batteries, and considerable additions have been made to our armament since I last wrote. A moderate supply of 12 inch bomb fuses has been raised together, and, if promises are to be trusted, we really shall effect great things on this the third "commencement" of the siege.

**Night Skirmishes.**

Up to the date of this present letter, there is no material change in the position of the Allied armies before Sebastopol, or in the attitude of the enemy in and out of the city. On Tuesday evening, soon after dusk, a heavy fusillade began on our left between the French and the Russians, which never ceased till dawn. It seemed as if a pitched battle were going on, and the volume of sound, the incessant heavy rolls of musketry and musit, recalled the accounts of Inkermann and the Alma. It is scarcely known in camp what all the firing was about, but the rumor is that an enormous force of Russians threw themselves suddenly on the advance portion of the works on the left, were repulsed by our gallant Allies, who rushed after them into the *very outskirts of the Flagstaff Bastion*, and seized on the Russian rifle-pits, where they maintained a desperate conflict for several hours, but were finally forced to retire, as the whole force of the Russians opposite our left was brought to bear upon them. The loss on both sides must have been very heavy. Lord Raglan may distinctly preserving a new gabion work on the French left, towards the Quarantine Port, with French soldiers inside it, so that is very probable our Allies have established a new sap in that direction, and that a portion of the fight took place around it. Nothing is more difficult to ascertain than the particulars of these nocturnal encounters. The right hand man does not know what his left hand man is doing, and the great labor of ascertaining the truth with respect to the proceedings of our own expeditionary force on such occasions is aggravated and becomes utterly thrown away in the dense of our action. After a commander and furious fighting, which would have, in a stranger in a state of intense excitement all night, it is common to hear some such dialogue as this the following morning: "I say, Smith, did you hear the row last night?" "Yes, what was it?" "Oh, blazing away like the very Yes don't mean to say you didn't hear it?" "Not a sound; came up from the circular iron night, and when I go to" "Rather, Jones, (to distinguished colonel) but as Smith back, (rising pale,) tell us what all the shindy was about last night." "Shindy! was there?" "By Love, yes! I think I did hear some firing." "Firing! Why, man, it was a battle, as usual, I suppose." "No, it was not a battle, but it was as fine of our right attack." "Another thing, if it was on the Right of our right attack." "Another thing, if it was on the Right, another thing, where was, and if it was on the Left, another thing, where was, and as the matter ends, and every fusilier in darkness, unless the Inkerman Bazar, the *Moniteur*, or the *Gazette*, throw their prismatic rays upon it. I need not say that all the usual descriptions of charges at night on the advanced trenches are most trustworthy, and ought to be kept mark of the exaggeration. Each man fires just the little pretty big with bears the whole brunt of the work, and does all the duty of repulsing the enemy; and any one who asked his narrative from our camp will be sure to fall into serious inaccuracies. To "describe a night attack" or any operation—a sortie or an advance—is a selection. From the batteries or the hills behind them one can see the flashes stabbing through the darkness, and can hear the shouts of the men, but that is all—were he a combatant he would see and hear even less than the spectator! Distrust, then, all "full and true particulars" of nocturnal engagements, and be content with learning "results." Nothing affords fewer scope for the exercise of the fancy than one of these fights in the dark—it is easy to imagine all sorts of incidents, to narrate the mode of advance of attack, of retreat, of victory, or of capture, but the recital will be found very inconsistent with the facts. The Generals, whose seats are near the front, have adopted the device of placing lines of stones radiating from a common centre towards the principal points of the attack, so as to get an idea of the direction in which the fire is going on at night. Even that fails to afford them any very definite information on the course of the fight. In a day or two after the affair has been finished, one may hear what really has taken place, by taking infinite pains and overcoming all kinds of difficulties, as in fact, a process of examination to discover the facts. So we shall wait till the post gives.

### THE LATEST TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES.

The Minister of War (France) has received the following telegraphic dispatches from Gen. CANROBERT:

BAIDAR, Sunday, May 6.

We had a successful affair last night. The enemy had strongly connected his works, and with lodgments in front of the Central Bastion, was a work of counter approach, with a double *caponière* and very solid. We stormed it, and maintained ourselves there under a very heavy fire, and have definitively established ourselves there. We took from the enemy eight small portable mortars, which were inside.

Exact returns of our loss are not made up, but they are below what I had feared.

The enemy suffered considerably.

The spirit of the troops was admirable.

BEFORE SEBASTOPOL, May 7.

Yesterday at 4 P. M. the enemy made a sortie to attempt to retake the work of counter approach which we had taken from him on the preceding night. The troops of the Guards attacked the Russians at the point of the bayonet, routed them, and drove them back into the town.

The enemy's artillery protected the departure and the retreat of the sortie by a very violent cannonade, to which our batteries replied well.

BERLIN, Tuesday, May 8.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg, dated the 7th inst., has been received here; it says:

On the night between the 1st and 2d, the enemy having concentrated 10,000 men, took possession of the lodgments in front of Bastion No. 5, and captured nine small cohorn mortars.

On the 2d, the enemy opened a heavy cannonade on Bastions Nos. 4 and 5, and on the adjoining lines. The damage which they did was repaired during the night.

We fired with success five mines against the enemy's approaches.

The following dispatch is from Lord RAGLAN:

SEBASTOPOL, Friday, May 10.

The Russians made a sortie with a large body of troops on our right advanced trench this morning, but were driven back immediately.

A second and similar attempt shared the same fate.

Nothing could be better than the conduct of the troops who took part in the affair.

The loss of the enemy was serious.

The *Moniteur* of the 11th May, contains the following:

Advices have arrived from the Crimea, dated the 9th May. Nothing important had happened. We perfect our works before the place.

### THE BALTIC.

A telegraphic dispatch from Kiel, May 10, says the *Orion*, 90, screw, Captain ESKINE, arrived at Kiel that morning at 8 o'clock.

A division of the advanced squadron—*Arrogant*, 46, screw, Captain VELVERTON; *Cossack*, 50, screw, Captain FANSHAWE; *Tartar*, 36, screw, Captain DUNLAP; *Esk*, 26, screw, Captain BUSH; and *Archer*, 15, screw, Captain HEATHCOTE—have arrived at Faro Sound, with nine others, for the fleet.

A telegraphic dispatch from Hamburg, May 8, says the Aland Islands are denuded of Russian troops. Several English ships have already arrived before Redhamm, near Lodesund.

It is reported from Revel, April 29, that the commander of the advanced squadron, Captain WARSON, C. B., in the *Imperieuse*, 51, with *Arrogant* and *Conflict*, screws, had appeared off Revel the previous day, and had notified the blockade at the same time stating that a term of seven days would be allowed neutral ships to depart with the goods they then had on board, but that from the moment of the declaration of blockade, no goods must be taken in, but ballast only.

A letter from Hamburg, of the 7th inst., in the *Independance Belge*, says:

"Letters from RIGA, read to-day on 'Change, state that four steamers of the flying squadron, commanded by Commodore WARSON, had entered the Gulf of Finland in spite of the ice, which still rendered the navigation perilous. Some of these spitfires have even shown themselves before Revel. This circumstance is accounted for by the fact that the Russian fleet is blockaded up in the ports by ice three or four feet thick, which obstructs their entrance. It was also said that several of those steamers which had thus entered into the Gulf had been sadly damaged by the floating ice. The steam corvette *Conflict* had succeeded in rendering the Danish harbor of Eisineur, where she is now undergoing repairs. Hitherto, the only mission of these cruisers appears to have been to give chase to Russian merchant vessels. In the course of a few days the *Bulldog* appeared twice before the neutral port of Lubeck, and the *Archer* before that of Memel. The flying squadron will successively visit all the commercial harbors in the North."

## ENGLAND.

### The Reform Meeting in London.

*From the London Times, May 8.*

Everybody will have his own opinion with regard to Saturday's meeting in the city of London, according as hope or fear, prejudice or interest, sways his judgment. Some will dwell on the absence from the list of requisitionists of names familiar in the annals of civic agitation, and others may consider that, since members of Parliament were admitted, a stronger cast in that part of the performance would have been desirable. For our own part, making all allowance for these and all other reasonable deductions, we are disposed to consider this meeting as a demonstration of good sense, backed by a very large amount of social and commercial influence. The want of the prominent leaders in city matters was compensated by the undoubted respectability of the audience, and the speeches breathed a tone of strong English feeling, and firmness tempered with moderation, honorable to the assembly itself, and very impressive to those who carefully consider its proceedings. It would, we believe, be very difficult to express the sentiment of the public mind, and at the same time give

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## The Virginia Election—Defeat of the Know-Nothings.

Although our returns are not complete, information from Washington leaves little room to doubt that Mr. WISE is elected Governor of Virginia, and that the Know-Nothings in that State have suffered a decisive defeat. This result is one of great interest, and cannot fail to exert an important influence upon the fortunes of this new and formidable party. It shows clearly that the Know-Nothing strength in Virginia at all events, and probably in all the Southern States, has been greatly overrated. It is true that the *viva voce* vote, which compels every voter to show his hand, and which has doubtless thus diminished the Know-Nothing vote very considerably, is required in Virginia alone. But other reasons must have influenced the result,—reasons not peculiar to any one State, and which will undoubtedly make themselves felt throughout the South. The action of the Know-Nothing Legislature in Massachusetts,—the rejection of Senator SUMNER by a Legislature in which the Know-Nothings loudly claimed a majority,—the action of that party upon the subject of Slavery in Ohio and New-Hampshire—action which it found indispensable to the maintenance of its supremacy in those States,—unquestionably led the people of Virginia to distrust Know-Nothingism as a professed ally and champion of the slave-holding interest. The same consideration will have equal weight in Tennessee, and not much less in Kentucky and North Carolina, where elections are soon to occur.

The defeat in Virginia will tend to break the force of the Know-Nothing party, and destroy its prestige in the Southern States. It renders it almost certain that at the best the Know-Nothings can only hope to carry those Southern States which have been *Whig* hitherto;—and that unless they can command more strength hereafter at the North, than the Whigs have had heretofore, their chance of victory in a Presidential contest is very small. It will naturally incline them, therefore, to look to the Northern States as the field to which their efforts must be directed. They will rely less upon the South, and more upon the North, than they have hitherto been inclined to do.

The result in Virginia will thus contribute very greatly to the tendency we have already noticed in the Order, to divide on the question of Slavery. A very large, and thus far a controlling section of the party leaders in this State, have been determined to use the organization for the promotion of their personal ends; and the only way in which they could accomplish this was by forcing it to stand upon a pro-Slavery platform. They have been sturdily opposed in this endeavor by those among them who had a more just estimate of public sentiment upon that subject—and in one or two instances, as in the rejection of Senator SUMNER and in the recent Convention at Syracuse, they have been defeated. The Virginia overthrow must paralyze the pro-Slavery leaders of the Know-Nothing party in this State and throughout the North. Whether it will with them destroy the party itself, remains to be seen; but it throws it entirely upon the North for its support and its strength—and it can have neither, except as it may ally itself with that sentiment which, as everything proves, is by far the strongest political sentiment of every Northern State—hostility to the aggressions of Slavery, and a resolute determination that its usurpations and encroachments upon the rights of freedom shall have an end. If the Order has among its members any who are wise enough to perceive this fact, and strong enough to force the party into its recognition and adoption as a basis of action, it may yet prolong its existence. If not, it has achieved its last victory, and will fall even more rapidly than it arose.

## Foreign Affairs—The War.

The mails by the *America*, at Boston, enable us this morning to give extended extracts from our European files, together with an exceedingly interesting letter on French politics, from the graphic pen of our well-advised Paris Correspondent. The letter will afford the reader a pretty clear insight into the motives and causes which led to the resignation of the French Minister of State, M. DUCHATEL DE LEVEL. These reveal, among other things, a strong suspicion, amounting almost to a conviction in the mind of Louis Napoleon, that Austria is playing a selfish and treacherous game, in which the honor of the Western Powers is (or was) in danger of being compromised, and that little or nothing is to be hoped from money or the German States as against Russia. The famous treaty of December 2 is well nigh forgotten, but the calculation evinced in that, it is now seen, to have been arrived at both by the French Emperor and the Cabinet of London, that the whole burden of the war must be borne by France and England to the end, however that may result. No statesman, in office or out of it, in either country, now pretends to foretell its probable duration or to predict the final result or cost of the conflict; nor is it by any means certain that Russia is to be the only enemy they may have to encounter in the field. The position of armed neutrality which Prussia and Austria may desire to occupy for the remainder of the war, is not likely to be tolerated by the Western States, if they can possibly command the means of driving them from it. At all events, the Vienna Conference being at an end, and well-grounded suspicion being entertained in Paris and London, of the treachery of Austria, it will be every way difficult to maintain even a show of cordiality on cooperation.

But the very grave question here interposes as to the result of the Crimean campaign, thus far disastrous to the Allies, and promising nothing better for the future. The accounts by this steamer are by no means encouraging. Sebastopol has not been stormed. The advantages gained in the late demonstrations and sorties are, to say the least, much divided. The means for reinforcement and the maintenance of the two armies, are in favor of the Russians. They are well appointed, and amply provisioned, and in point of numbers, there is no probable limit to the fresh recruits which the Government of the North has the means and open facility for throwing into Sebastopol, while on the side of the Allies, a prolonged siege through the Summer is not likely to be free from some of the drawbacks which led to the misfortunes of the past Winter. The sanitary condition of the army in a strange, and as it has thus far proved, inhospitable climate, will be more severe in July than in January. Disease and the casualties of the siege itself may decimate its numbers more rapidly than the Governments at home can possibly supply reinforcements.

Meanwhile, the political condition of things in England—to say nothing of the effect of the actual change of Ministers in France—is by no means auspicious for a bold and effective prosecution of the war. The Administration is suspected, and the aristocracy, who monopolize the best places in the Cabinet and the army, are under a cloud with the British people. The popular movement in favor of Administrative Reform has been fairly initiated in London. It seems neither violent nor proscriptive, to be sure, and the sincerity or real extent of opposition to Aristocratic rule may well be questioned, but the fact of such a demonstration, at so critical a time for the Nation, presupposes a sentiment of popular distrust, which argues no good for the future of the War. Another Ministerial crisis may soon follow a second Committee of Inquiry, in Parliament; and then, perhaps, a radical change of Administration, to be followed by new plans of operation in the East and untried schemes for conquering peace.

## Inkermann—Russian Account.

A detailed account of the great Battle of Inkermann, on the 5th of November, has been published in Russia, and has found its way into the English papers. It contains nothing very new of the battle itself, and is chiefly interesting for its account of the Russian numbers actually engaged in the affair, and its apologies for the repulse and defeat.

The report is, of course, wholly *ex parte*, and, in regard to the British force, naturally enough exaggerated. The attack was made by seven Russian regiments. These, if full, should have consisted of twenty-eight battalions of one thousand men each—the complement of a Russian regiment being four battalions of this force. But in the early stage of the action, and when the overwhelming advantage of numbers was most needed to make the surprise of the British complete, it is stated that only twenty battalions, or five regiments, and these numbering only thirteen thousand bayonets, were engaged. The opposing force is set down at the same figure, though, if we mistake not, the dispatches of Lord RAGLAN asserted that not more than eight thousand British troops were at any time actually engaged.

The Russian reporter concedes great bravery and steadfastness to the British. They are pronounced "splendid," every soldier fighting in a manner worthy the best days of the British army. The invincible stubbornness of the Coldstream and Scotch regiments is particularly noted, and the use of the Minie rifle referred to as one of the causes of repulse. This weapon, at the distance of 1,600 paces, deprived the Russian regiments of their best officers. One or more errors in the movements of the Russian columns contributed to the defeat, and that which was most fatal was the incorrect execution of the sham attacks or diversions, which should have prevented, but did not, the coming up to the assistance of the British of General BOSQUET's division of French. This failure is charged to the unskillfulness of GORTSCHAKOFF himself. The junction, about 10 o'clock, of BOSQUET and the British, deprived the Russians of the anticipated result of five hours' hard fighting, commenced by a surprise of the British line at 5 A. M., in the midst of a dense fog.

## The Future of Slavery.

The Charleston *Standard* suggests a novel explanation of the more rapid progress made in population and improvement at the North than at the South.

According to the *Standard*, the rapid progress of wealth and improvement in the North is owing in a great degree to foreign immigration, and it claims that by abolishing the importation of Slaves, the natural emigrants of the South have been cut off, and she has been left on an unequal footing with the North. In short, quoting from memory, but we believe correctly, that the same beneficial results would inure to the South from the importation of slave labor as have inured to the North from the immigration of free labor. It is extraordinary, and yet not surprising, to one who has observed how easily men delude themselves in respect to a matter in which they deem their essential interests to be involved, to see what singular views are entertained by many Southern people respecting Slavery.

At the time of the formation of the Federal Constitution, Slavery was generally acknowledged to be an element of weakness to the nation. We speak of it now in its political and not its moral aspects. We are not aware of any change in the character of Southern Slavery, which renders it less so now; on the contrary, its weakening power increases in the direct ratio of the increase of the Slave population. It is in the very nature of things that this should be the case. In the days of the Roman Empire, whose decadence and fall were accelerated by this institution, the fears of the free population were so much excited by the increase of the slaves in their midst, that the latter were forbidden to wear a distinctive dress which should manifest the frightful preponderancy of their numbers over the free.

It is inevitable that the toiling millions of a country, those whose frames are hardened and whose health preserved by labor, simple diet and poverty, should increase rapidly, while the wealthy classes should, if they do not decay from a lack of a fresh infusion of the blood of the masses, (an impossible thing at the South,) at least remain stationary. This is now going on in some parts of the South. The slaves far outnumber the free—what will be the ratio between the two classes centuries hence? Their numbers can never be concealed—the badge which nature has given them cannot be torn away. And long before any explosion may occur, the black and lowering mass of Slavery will perpetually menace and harass the free population. We pass by at present the frightful element not merely of weakness, but of absolute destruction, the servile population might prove to be in case of foreign wars and invasions, or of civil commotions, in which law should become powerless and unscrupulous domestic or foreign enemies should make it conscious of its power. In a spirit of perfect kindness we call the attention of our Southern brethren to the crisis to which the inevitable laws of population will bring, not them nor their children it may be, but some distant generation which shall come after them.

## Celestial Immigration.

In the half million busy beings, American, Irish, German, French and African, who bustle through the dust and mud of this huge City, and who occupy more or less the attention of our benedicent Mayor, there are some 1,500 or 1,600 natives of the Central Land, the Flowery Land, Celestials—in short, not to put too fine a point upon it, *Chinamen*. There may be China women, but we never saw any except the *prima donna* of the unfortunate operatic troupe.

Apparently these poor fellows are of no importance; in reality, they are, and may as well be looked after now as later. They do well here in their way, and consequently invite accession to their numbers. Two or three fresh ones arrive every day; by and by it will be two or three hundred or thousand a day, until the City may be as full of oblong-eyed, pig-tailed Celestials as it is at present of wide-mouthed, pug-nosed Hibernians and the square-skulled sons of Hermann.

Such an advent should be checked in time—indeed, to borrow a figure of speech from Tipperary, it ought to be put a stop to before it begins—for your Chinaman is the most worthless citizen possible. He brings, for the most part, his baggy trousers and shirt along with him, and they last forever, or are replaced at an outlay of seven and sixpence. He consumes no products of the country except a few shillings worth of rice; he does no labor, pursues no industrial calling, but he sells stale candy and inferior cigars, or drops in despairing attitude upon Broadway's Sunday sidewalk, and collects quarters and sixpences in his flat, tufted hat.

The males of this class are notoriously idle in their own country. They are worse when they come here, and the women, if we may judge by California newspapers, would quickly reduce Police Captain CARPENTER to a shadow, with despair. They will not work unless treated as they are at the guano islands, and the public works in Havana, as slaves. They cannot be so treated here, and there would therefore be no remedy for their laziness. They are not even beneficial to the landlords, for they flock together like pigeons, as the reader may see for himself, in Cherry-street or Gold-street.

Now an immigration of people who add nothing to the industry of the country, who detract from its morality, who consume almost nothing of its products, who scarcely aid its house-owners, who make poor sailors and no soldiers at all, yet who accumulate and carry off its gold and silver, is worthy of the attention of the authorities whom it concerns, before it increases, as it threatens to do, to an alarming extent.

## Senator Fish and Mr. Grinnell.

Our readers will recollect that at a meeting held in this City during the last Winter, Mr. M. H. GRINNELL spoke 'in condemnation of a bill which had been introduced in Congress by Senator FISH to regulate the conveyance of emigrants to this port,—and used very severe language in regard to the course which he had pursued. Senator FISH was then absent on a visit to Cuba, from which he has but recently returned. We have been requested to publish the following letter in explanation of the difference which led to the remarks referred to:

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, May 24, 1855.

DEAR SIR: In the observations made by me at the Merchants' meeting held at the Exchange, in February last, on the subject of the "Passenger Bills" then pending before Congress, in condemnation of the course pursued by you in regard to the measure, I used expressions implying, or calculated to imply, an unfavorable opinion of your conduct, which I now, on reflection, and after conversation with many who had recently conferred with you in behalf of the interests involved at Washington, feel to be unjust to you, and which I should have qualified at the moment had my own feelings been in accordance with my present sentiments. I have, however, been restrained from making the necessary explanation by the reflection that it might have been construed into a compliance with the suggestion I have received from many quarters, that I should make the matter the occasion of an attack upon the character of the Senate, which I have always been, and am still, the warm and earnest advocate of. Nothing, however, is further from my thoughts than such a course, and I therefore take the first opportunity that presents itself to say that I have been led to believe, from the representations of many persons who do not possess knowledge enough to understand that our present motor, the steam engine, working as it does within very limited range of temperature and constantly wasting the caloric, never can be made an economical medium of transporting the force of caloric for motive purposes. Happily, whilst those who only pretend to science then assail the good name, the highest authorities support it. The late British Association in England discussed the matter at length, the inferiority of steam as a motor being fully established. The celebrated REGNAULT—the greatest living authority in relation to caloric—in a memoir to the FRENCH Academy, after discussing the relations of force produced and range of temperature, says: "But, as in the ERICSSON system, the heat which the air gives out is given up to bodies, from which the entering air takes it again and brings it back to the machine, we see that theoretically *all the heat expended is utilized for mechanical work*; whilst in the best steam engine the heat utilized in *mechanical* work is not the one-twentieth part of the *heat expended*." Endorsed by such authority and fortified by such opinions, the writer disregards sneers and will continue to labor at the perfection of the caloric engine until the end is achieved.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedt. servt.,

J. ERICSSON.

To Lieut. Gov. H. J. RAYMOND.

## Amusements.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The Lagrange troupe will repeat VERDI's "Ernani" to-night. We cordially commend the performance to the attention of the musical public.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—The excellent comedy of "Old Heads and Young Hearts" will be performed to-night, together with the favorite farce of the "Windmill."

BURTON'S THEATRE.—To-night Mr. GEORGE JORDAN takes his benefit. Pieces selected for the occasion—"Dombey and Son" and SHAKSPEARE'S "Comedy of Errors." The season at this house closes with the week.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.—Mr. HACKETT is prospering in his new venture, and is deserved, we believe, to make this establishment one of the most popular in New-York. During the past week the Manager has appeared in his famous impersonation of SHAKSPEARE'S *Falstaff*. He will repeat his performance to-night. To-morrow a new ballet called "Mazurka" will be produced here, with DE SOTO in the part of *Fenella*, the dumb girl.

BROADWAY THEATRE.—The tragedy of "Evadne" will be given to-night, with Mr. CONWAY and Mad. PONISI in the principal parts.

On Saturday evening Mr. DAVENPORT and Miss FANNY VINING completed their engagement here. The house was densely crowded by a delighted audience. At the close of the play Mr. DAVENPORT was again called before the curtain, and in response to a general demand for a speech, said:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: In answer to your call, I can only express to you my gratitude for the great kindness you have evinced on every occasion on which I have appeared before you. (Applause.) And for the very flattering manner in which you have been pleased to receive my efforts to-night in a character of which required all the genius and talent of one of the greatest among nature to do it justice, (I refer to JUNIUS BRUTUS BOOTH.) (Enthusiastic applause.) I am particularly thankful. When I consented to appear as *Sir Giles Overreach*, I knew nothing of how I should succeed. It was to me a comparatively new character, but like Yankees generally I continued to try it. (Applause.) Your kindness to-night gives me courage and induces me to persevere; and by courage and perseverance, I trust at some future day to be able to render the character in such a manner as to be more worthy your applause. (Cheers.)

I have a word to say concerning the lady (Miss FANNY VINING) who has appeared with me during the engagement just closed. I was an unfortunate cause to be out of the theatre when we were called for at the close of the piece, on the first night of our engagement; but I understand she came out and spoke up like a man. (Applause.) Just what I should have expected. She is every way worthy of your favor, and as I know she will continue to deserve your applause I am glad that she will continually receive it. (Great applause.)

Thanking the audience again, Mr. DAVENPORT retired, but the applause continued some time after he had departed.

Mr. DAVENPORT, had he chosen, might have said while speaking, what but few, if any, other actors could say of the play in which he had just appeared, namely that he has played every male character in it, from the *Parson up to Sir Giles Overreach*.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM.—Afternoon, "The Man and the Tiger," and "Isabella's Cross." Evening, "The Lonely Man of the Ocean."

NEGRO MINSTRELSY.—CHRISTY & WOOD's, No. 472 Broadway. BUCKLEY's, No. 539 Broadway. PERHAM's, No. 663 Broadway.

FINE ARTS.—Dusseldorf Gallery of Modern Paintings.

## The Wallack Testimonial.

On Tuesday afternoon and evening the Academy of Music will be devoted to the histrionic efforts of a number of professional gentlemen, who have with praiseworthy industry gotten up what is called a Testimonial to Mr. WALLACK. The performances will occupy eight or ten hours, and two admissions will be exacted from those who have the hardihood to assist on the occasion.

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## Fugitive Slave Law.

The Louisville *Journal* recently recommended such an amendment of the Fugitive Slave Law as shall provide for a trial by jury in the locality to which the slave might be returned. In commenting on this article the Detroit *Free Press* gives the following history of the proceedings in *Committee* upon this bill:—It is doubtless furnished to that paper by Gen. CASS and is therefore reliable:

"We repeat, that there is a mistake in this statement which the public records enable us to correct. The provision above referred to, for a jury trial, was introduced into the compromise committee by Gen. CASS, a fact that should be well known, as it has been more than once asserted on the floor of the Senate, and emphatically so on the 20th of August, 1852, in a discussion on the general subject. Upon that occasion, Gen CASS stated, in answer to a suggestion of Mr. MASON, that the proposition had been presented by him, and not by Mr. WEBSTER, as Mr. MASON had supposed; and this was confirmed by Mr. MANGUM, a member of the committee. The provision was agreed to by Mr. CLAY, and by a majority of the committee, and reported to the Senate. But, in the first discussion which took place on this subject, this proposition was objected to by Mr. MASON, by Mr. BORLAND, and by other southern senators. The remarks of Mr. BORLAND we have been able to find, and they are as follows: On May 6, 1850, after objecting to the principles of the bill, he observed: 'Under the present law here would end the proceeding. But under the proposed one, a greater trouble, the most vexatious and mortifying of all, awaits him; for here he has to engage in a suit at law, and have a jury trial with his own slave!' After going on with his objections against the law, and especially its unconstitutionality, he said that 'establishing courts for the purpose, and making and trying issues between master and slave, is so contrary to my preconceived opinions, and so repugnant to my sense of propriety, that I must be excused for rejecting it, not only with promptness, but with some degree of feeling.' Mr. MASON, in consequence of his objection to the bill reported by the compromise committee, introduced another bill as a substitute, leaving out the provision for the jury trial. This substitute was adopted by a majority of the Senate, and thus this arrangement, which Mr. CLAY is said to have thought would have been satisfactory to the North and the South, was lost by a vote of that body."

## The Caloric Engine—Interesting Letter from Mr. Ericsson.

The public press for some weeks past has teemed with reports that the Caloric Engine had proved a total failure,—and that the principle on which it was constructed had been finally abandoned by Capt. ERICSSON, who had substituted steam engines in the ship with which his experiments were made. These reports awakened profound regret, not only in the minds of those who were aware from personal knowledge of the great abilities, unwearied labor and large sums of money which had been devoted to this experiment, but also on the part of the public which had become deeply interested in its success. Nor was it easy to understand, in the face of results known because *seen* to have been attained, how the *principle* of the Caloric Engine could have proved a failure: for in the trip of the *Ericsson* to Washington a propelling power was certainly obtained at less expense for fuel, and with a greater saving of room, than had ever before been achieved.

In reply to personal inquiries upon this subject, we have received from Capt. ERICSSON the following interesting explanatory letter, from which it will be seen that he has *not* abandoned the Caloric Engine,—that while mechanical difficulties have prevented the satisfactory application of the principle, his faith in the principle itself remains unshaken, and that he is still engaged, with unwearied assiduity and with unflinching courage, in the prosecution of experiments for its perfection.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, May 24, 1855.

SIR: The assertions of my opponents that the caloric engine has failed and been abandoned, and that a "new steam engine" has been put into the *Ericsson*, are all wholly unfounded.

Every trial made has proved the soundness of the *principle* of the caloric engine, an extraordinary saving of fuel being in every instance well established. I have deemed it prudent, however, not to publish certain facts conclusive as to ultimate success, because it would have encouraged many to help me to "improve," and deprive me, if possible, of the fruits of much labor and expense.

The first engine of the caloric ship was removed, notwithstanding its economy, because it proved too cumbrous for the amount of *available* power it exerted—in other words, because the differential force of the working and supply piston did not prove in practice to realize what calculation promised—losses by leaks, friction, &c., being much greater than reasoning could anticipate. The second engine was applied to remedy this deficiency of power, by employing compressed air—but it was found that the joints of the pipes of the heaters could not be made sufficiently tight to carry more than one-third of the intended regulate pressure. Accordingly this modified engine proved inadequate to give a speed of more than seven miles an hour to the ship. Apart from the imperfections connected with the leaks alluded to, the machine worked to the admiration of all who witnessed its operations. But although air thus escaped through the joints, steam, it was found, could easily be retained in the heater pipes, and was, therefore, employed in a surcharged state, in place of air. It was under the agency of surcharged or overheated steam that the machinery operated on the day of the sad accident of sinking the ship. The sudden immersion and cooling of the furnace pipes, &c., unfortunately destroyed a vital part of the contrivance, and after fruitless attempts to repair and patch, no alternative was left but to apply ordinary boilers. The engines, however, are now without alteration; the same as when compressed air was employed. The statement that "new steam engines," planned and constructed for the purpose, have just been put into the ship, is pure fiction. I presided the owners of the ship, on proposing to remove the original caloric engine, to build the second one in such a manner, that if we failed in using air, steam might be resorted to by replacing the air heaters by steam boilers.

The stories relative to the "burning of the bottoms" [illegible] the caloric engine, in a less economy. The experiment has proceeded experiment, and continued experiments have been made to derive and perfect the application of the principle, for rendering the imponderable physical laws involved in the principle of this machine subservient in producing a cheap and useful motor. How far I have succeeded in the final practical solution of the great problem will soon become known, as I am now engaged in building a test engine of considerable magnitude.

Possibly the performance of this test engine will prove the conclusions of certain scientific gentlemen more at fault in their opinion of the caloric engine than Sir HUMPHREY DAVY was when he ventured to ridicule the proposition of lighting London by gas.

Let me add that should some unexpected difficulty prevent a full realization of the capabilities of the new system when the said test engine shall be put in operation, such an event will by no means stop the prosecution of the matter—nor will any mechanical difficulty whatever cause the writer ever to abandon a plan so eminently based on physical truth, and fraught with such vast beneficial results when perfected. It is much to be regretted that so important a matter should be in any manner retarded by the obtrusive interference of persons who do not possess knowledge enough to understand that our present motor, the steam engine, working as it does within very limited range of temperature and constantly wasting the caloric, never can be made an economical medium of transporting the force of caloric for motive purposes. Happily, whilst those who only pretend to science then assail the good name, the highest authorities support it. The late British Association in England discussed the matter at length, the inferiority of steam as a motor being fully established. The celebrated REGNAULT—the greatest living authority in relation to caloric—in a memoir to the FRENCH Academy, after discussing the relations of force produced and range of temperature, says: "But, as in the ERICSSON system, the heat which the air gives out is given up to bodies, from which the entering air takes it again and brings it back to the machine, we see that theoretically *all the heat expended is utilized for mechanical work*; whilst in the best steam engine the heat utilized in *mechanical* work is not the one-twentieth part of the *heat expended*." Endorsed by such authority and fortified by such opinions, the writer disregards sneers and will continue to labor at the perfection of the caloric engine until the end is achieved.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedt. servt.,

J. ERICSSON.

To Lieut. Gov. H. J. RAYMOND.

## Amusements.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The Lagrange troupe will repeat VERDI's "Ernani" to-night. We cordially commend the performance to the attention of the musical public.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—The excellent comedy of "Old Heads and Young Hearts" will be performed to-night, together with the favorite farce of the "Windmill."

BURTON'S THEATRE.—To-night Mr. GEORGE JORDAN takes his benefit. Pieces selected for the occasion—"Dombey and Son" and SHAKSPEARE'S "Comedy of Errors." The season at this house closes with the week.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.—Mr. HACKETT is prospering in his new venture, and is deserved, we believe, to make this establishment one of the most popular in New-York. During the past week the Manager has appeared in his famous impersonation of SHAKSPEARE'S *Falstaff*. He will repeat his performance to-night. To-morrow a new ballet called "Mazurka" will be produced here, with DE SOTO in the part of *Fenella*, the dumb girl.

BROADWAY THEATRE.—The tragedy of "Evadne" will be given to-night, with Mr. CONWAY and Mad. PONISI in the principal parts.

On Saturday evening Mr. DAVENPORT and Miss FANNY VINING completed their engagement here. The house was densely crowded by a delighted audience. At the close of the play Mr. DAVENPORT was again called before the curtain, and in response to a general demand for a speech, said:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: In answer to your call, I can only express to you my gratitude for the great kindness you have evinced on every occasion on which I have appeared before you. (Applause.) And for the very flattering manner in which you have been pleased to receive my efforts to-night in a character of which required all the genius and talent of one of the greatest among nature to do it justice, (I refer to JUNIUS BRUTUS BOOTH.) (Enthusiastic applause.) I am particularly thankful. When I consented to appear as *Sir Giles Overreach*, I knew nothing of how I should succeed. It was to me a comparatively new character, but like Yankees generally I continued to try it. (Applause.) Your kindness to-night gives me courage and induces me to persevere; and by courage and perseverance, I trust at some future day to be able to render the character in such a manner as to be more worthy your applause. (Cheers.)

I have a word to say concerning the lady (Miss FANNY VINING) who has appeared with me during the engagement just closed. I was an unfortunate cause to be out of the theatre when we were called for at the close of the piece, on the first night of our engagement; but I understand she came out and spoke up like a man. (Applause.) Just what I should have expected. She is every way worthy of your favor, and as I know she will continue to deserve your applause I am glad that she will continually receive it. (Great applause.)

Thanking the audience again, Mr. DAVENPORT retired, but the applause continued some time after he had departed.

Mr. DAVENPORT, had he chosen, might have said while speaking, what but few, if any, other actors could say of the play in which he had just appeared, namely that he has played every male character in it, from the *Parson up to Sir Giles Overreach*.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM.—Afternoon, "The Man and the Tiger," and "Isabella's Cross." Evening, "The Lonely Man of the Ocean."

NEGRO MINSTRELSY.—CHRISTY & WOOD's, No. 472 Broadway. BUCKLEY's, No. 539 Broadway. PERHAM's, No. 663 Broadway.

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## THE FRENCH REVIEW.

### GRAND DEMONSTRATION IN THE PARK.

### PRESENTATION OF MEDALS.

### THE MAYOR'S SPEECH.

In accordance with previous announcement, the grand parade, review and inspection of the Police Department of the City by His Honor Mayor Wood, took place in the Park on Saturday. Being the first review of the kind ever held in the City, it excited much interest. Crowds began to assemble about the City Hall at early in the morning, and before the review was over, at least 10,000 people, it is estimated, were present. The City Hall, both within and without, was densely packed with Robbers-on; a large number of which were ladies, and every elevated ground and object, from which a glimpse of the spectacle could be had was occupied. Amphitheatres resembling "boxes" to use the night, climbed upon the trees in the Park, and testified the spectator tendency, which occasionally giving way per-mitted the obstacle temporarily to the ground, greatly to the terror of the lady spectators. Nothing but the young trees suffered materially by these exercises, not laid down in the programme. The eagerness of each to obtain a front view caused a continuous struggle good humored struggle among the crowd in the Park, and the officers detailed for that purpose had much difficulty in keeping them without the space set apart for the inspection.

By 2 o'clock all the Police,—thirty-two men and three officers from each District,—which, together with the "Reserved Corps," numbered between 900 and and 1,000 men, were present in the Park, headed by their Chief, C. W. Matsell. On arriving on the ground they were formed into three divisions, the right resting on Chatham-street, and the left, west of the City Hall, on Broadway. They were then formed into line by double file, and made ready for inspection and review,—the line extending from Broadway to Chatham-street.—Dodworth's Band of 37 pieces performing meanwhile.

At 3 o'clock, His Honor, accompanied by Mayor Hall of Brooklyn, Mayor Maxness and Recorder Curtine of Jersey City, Ex-Recorder Tillou and Judges Betts and Welch and Ogden Hoffman, Generals Sandford, Hall, Sedgwick and Ewen; Peter Cooper, James W. Barker, and many other well-known citizens, appeared in front of the Hall. All the Police Justices were present; also, the heads of the various departments, members of the Boards of Aldermen and Commissioners, &c. His Honor, accompanied by his Clerk, Col. Minor, then proceeded to make a thorough inspection of every man in the ranks, scrutinizing closely his appearance, dress, carriage, knowledge of drill, &c., taking the number and name of those whose appearance either pleased or displeased him.

The inspection being gone through with the several battalions formed into a "three-square," four men deep, in front of the Hall, when the Mayor proceeded to present the medals, procured by him at his personal expense, to those members of the Department whose meritorious actions entitled them, in his judgment, to special consideration. A sufficient space having been cleared in front of the stand on which the Mayor stood, he officers—seven in number—on whom were to be conferred the medals, came forward and were severally addressed by the Mayor, who recapitulated the special services rendered by them, and concluded by bestowing on them the much prized reward of merit amidst the applause of the assembled thousands.

The medals presented are of silver, and of beautiful workmanship. The design, a shield, surmounted by an eagle bearing a scroll, on which is the motto, "*Fiat justitia ruat cœlum*." On the shield are stars with the words "New-York Police," and the motto, "Pertinax et parcus." On the reverse, Presented to ——— by F. Wood, Esq., Mayor, 1855 and 1856. The names of the twelve recipients of the medals, or the numbers of the band, "legion of honor," are, Franklin C. Dodge, of Seventeenth District; Thomas Sampson, Eighteenth District; Peter C. Kinder, Third District; Thomas Sloery, Tenth District; Thomas Maxham, Nineteenth District; Swain Lemmey, and Thomas N. Hoffman.

It must be remembered that the medals were awarded for services rendered during the administration of the present Mayor only. Four of the recipients are on the Reserve Corps. The other three will be immediately promoted to the same position.

After the presentation of the medals, the Mayor delivered a brief but characteristic speech to the members of the Department present. He expressed himself highly pleased with their officer-like and gentlemanly appearance, good condition and excellent drill, and the general correctness with which they have performed the duties of the Department. He said to them:

"To enable you to see your part with fidelity, it is indispensable that you fully appreciate the many advantages of your position and be conscious of what is done for you by the authorities. You draw from the City Treasury, on pay-day in the aggregate, nearly one million of dollars per annum; more than what is given by individuals in private, which last, your receipts, according to the books in the Mayor's Office, to about $15,000, and so far this year to about $4,000, not including many valuable presents, not to be estimated by money. There is no class of operatives or tradesmen so well paid. You are compensated for every day in the year—rain or shine—duty or no duty—present or absent—the only exception being absence at your own request to be without pay, or sickness not caused by the discharge of duty. And again the duration of your office adds much to its pecuniary value. It is during good behaviour, or, in other words, for life, if you behave yourselves."

In reunion to the police uniform, he remarked:

"The uniform is complained of, and said to be by some a badge of degradation and servitude. How erroneous is this impression! What! a badge of servitude, which, in really an emblem of trust and honor! A mark of degradation, to carry upon your person an official insignia, denoting that you have been selected by the Mayor, the Heads of Departments, and the City Judges—the chosen representatives of the citizens—from the majority, to be entrusted with delicate and important duties and prerogatives, involving the care of the life, liberty and property of the citizens! No sane mind can so construe it; and believe me, fellow-officers, when I tell you that the man who can perpetrate such an absurd theory is a dangerous companion, who should be avoided by your society. There is no degradation in the uniform of a gentleman more than there is in the epaulette of an officer in the regular army—no greater badge of servitude in the star than there is in the button, so highly prized by the Navy. The degradation is not in the uniform—it is in a disregard of duty by him who wears it. The policeman more frequently disregards the uniform than the uniform does the policeman. It is a shame that the impression only when made on by the conduct of the wearer. Let the uniform of a military officer be called by contempt for treachery, or can you be only by conduct unbecoming a policeman, and disgraceful to your position as such."

He then spoke upon the duties of the Department, and concluded by saying—

"I take my leave with an increased admiration for you as a conservative protective Corps and with a confident belief that if ever your entire force shall be required for the preservation of the peace, it will be found entirely able to meet and overwhelm any antagonistic body, however great in number or desperate in character."

At the conclusion of the Mayor's speech, the Mayor and Staff retired, and the vast concourse slowly retired from the Park, evidently highly pleased with the first review of the New-York Police Department.

After the conclusion of the exercises in the Park, the Second Ward deputation were marched into the Mayor's office, where they went through the "club exercise" and other movements with great facility and correctness.

POLICE BANQUET AT LAFAYETTE HALL.

After the grand parade, an interesting affair came off, in which the force of the Eighth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Wards only, save certain guests, took part. They paraded together through several of the principal streets up-town, severally under command of Captain C. A. Tyrrell, Captain David Kinsella, and Captain Gaenan W. Dixon. The forces were accompanied by Rodenstock's Brass Band, and in the evening they were honored with a fine banquet at Lafayette Hall. During the entertainment speeches were made by Hon. Isaac O. Barker, President of the Board of Aldermen; Captain Mark, Commissioner Rider, Hon. Mr. Taylor and others.

Irregular Medicine in Massachusetts.

A resolve appropriating $10,000 to the "Worcester Medical Institute," was acted on by the Massachusetts Legislature. The passage of the resolve in the Senate was opposed by Dr. Stedman, of Boston, and several other gentlemen; among its advocates was Mr. Tillinghast, of Hancock, who said he was opposed to all doctors but doctors of divinity, but would nevertheless vote for the resolve. Immediately afterwards an active discussion took place on the question of granting aid to the "Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital," an institution which was incorporated the same day. The resolve was rejected by a vote of twelve to thirteen. A reconsideration was moved, and the subject came up again in the afternoon; under a suspension of the rules, and, after a spirited debate, the resolve was again rejected by a vote of thirteen to fifteen.

Several deaths are reported as occurring from the effects of the recent cold weather, and such, coming in the month of May, seems more in the hands of fatal consequence than it was last week.

☞ Paul Dubois, the celebrated Parisian accoucheur, had operated a child that he recently brought into the world by the Caesarian section.

☞ A good but expensive suit of bed is being sold at 65 Bleecker-street. It contains half air and half water, and seems to answer very well. The common air-bed or cushion is found to be too hard; the common water-bed or cushion, too cold and "boggy." In the water-bed it is claimed Nepal that the patient sinks down too much, so as to touch clay. The present bed, it is hoped, will remedy this.

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☞ The Suburban House Association will hold its third public meeting on MONDAY EVENING, May 26, at their Rooms, No. 197 Bowery. Persons wishing to secure a healthy, eligible building site, connected in the City, and easy of access at all times, at a low price, and on easy terms of payment, will find it to their advantage to attend this meeting and learn further particulars.

J. O. PEASON, Secretary.

☞ Chips, Glass and Earthenware, Eighth-avenue, New Stage.—Boarding-house keepers and private families are invited to inspect my stock of goods, which they will find unequaled in price and quality. French fancy goods from auction; China and pressed glassware, at a low figure.

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☞ Prison Association of New-York.—The regular monthly meeting of the Prison Association of New-York PRISON ASSOCIATION will be held in the Committee room, No. 19 Chatham Hall, Aston-place, on MONDAY EVENING, 26th inst., at 8 o'clock.

FRANK W. BALLARD, Rec. Secretary.

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SITUATION WANTED—By a young girl, of fifteen years of age, with the highest recommendations, to do light housework, but can do baking or work on the table. Would be willing to make herself useful to any lady in the country. Is a person on whom the strictest confidence can be placed. To be seen at Mrs. MANNING'S Advertising Office, No. 369 7th-av., for two days. No objections to the country.

SITUATIONS WANTED—By two respectable girls; one as good plain cook, a most capable washer and ironer, a good baker of bread and biscuit, can take general housemaid's place in a family of five or six persons, the one year's City reference; will apply for other branch of business. Wages $14 a month, the other as chambermaid and waitress, a neat sewer, can wait on a table neatly, wages $8. Call at No. 211 East 32d-st., in dairy store.

SITUATION WANTED.—A young Parisian gentleman, of a finished education, been tutor and private secretary, and having several years experience in teaching, is desirous of finding a board in exchange for instruction. A situation as a French instructor in any part of the United States, or in a family. He can speak English fluently, and give the best of references. Terms moderate. Address BOBE, Daily Times Office.

SITUATIONS WANTED—For a large number of Superior servant girls, among whom are several American and other Protestant girls, well recommended and willing to work for low wages to suit the times, either in the city or country. Apply at the Office, No. 376 Wesley-place, corner of Houston-st., and two blocks east of Broadway.

J. S. SCUDDER.

SITUATIONS WANTED—By two highly-respectable girls, having the most satisfactory City references; the one as cook, washer and ironer, or would do general housework; the other as chambermaid and waiter, and would go with the wedding; if preferred, both wish to go in the country. Call or address No. 18 East 11th-st., between 2d and 4th ave. No charge to employers.

SITUATIONS WANTED—By two neat and respectable girls, together or separately, in the City or country, one as a good plain cook, washer and ironer; the other as chambermaid and waiter, or nurse and seamstress; either could take a place as laundress; are good bakers. Well recommended, and will be found most desirable helps. Apply at No. 211 Bowery, this day or to-morrow.

SITUATION WANTED—By a highly respectable and well recommended young woman, as first rate chambermaid, or as waiter; she is a very good washer and ironer; can perfectly understand her business, and can give the best of City references; as to her quality and good character. Is willing to go in the country for the Summer. Call at No. 30 East 11th-st., between 2d and 4th ave., for two days.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable widow woman, with a boy 11 years old, to work in the country; is capable of the care of milk and butter; also, a good baker. Has good reference as to honesty and capability, and is willing and obliging. Call for two days at the Mohawk Hotel, corner of Spring and Washington sts. for Mrs. NORMAN.

SITUATION WANTED—For a neat, tidy and most respectable young woman, who is a good experienced chambermaid and waiter, or chambermaid and assist with washing and ironing or plain sewing; can give unexceptionable city references for capability and integrity. Can be seen, until suited, at No. 6 Court-st., basement, Brooklyn.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young girl, to cook, wash and iron; she understands her business well and can give the best of City references. Has no objection to do general housework in a small private family. Call for two days at No. 16 10th-st., between 6th and 7th ave., rear yard, first floor.

SITUATIONS WANTED—By two most respectable girls, as chambermaids or assistants; one can do fine work, the other as chambermaid, and will make herself generally useful; the latter is of City reference from their last employer. Inquire at No. 25 3d-ave., between 9th and 10th sts.

SITUATIONS WANTED—By a middle-aged female, as a nurse or housekeeper, to go direct to the country; she has been in the business of nursing many half years in the above capacity. Has no objection to go a short distance in the country. Is a good seamstress. Call at No. 18 Jones-st., for one week.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young girl, as chambermaid and waiting-maid, or to assist in the sewing of a small family. She is well recommended. Call at her present place, No. 170 East 16th-st., for two days.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable Protestant woman, as cook, washer and ironer, or to do chamber-work and washing. Not objectionable to go in the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 39 West 13th-st., between 5th and 6th-ave., in the store.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young woman, to do plain sewing and assist around in a family, or as general housework. Good City reference can be given. Call at No. 220 East 29th-st., between 1st-av. and Avenue A, top floor, front.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young Swedes, as laundress, or chambermaid and laundress, or would do general housework for a small family. Can produce City references from her last place. May be seen for two days at No. 261 7th-av., near 27th-st., in the milk depot.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable girl as chambermaid and laundress; has no objection to go in the country. The best of City reference can be given from her last place. Call at No. 34 1st-av., where she can be seen for two days.

SITUATION WANTED—By a highly respectable Protestant girl, as cook. The best of City reference given. Apply at No. 6 Bergen-st., Brooklyn, or address, by mail, E. M., (name plain). New-York City preferred. To be seen for two days.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable woman, as a small private family, as chambermaid and laundress. Good City references. Call at No. 311 East 26th-st., second door, back room. Can be seen for two days.

SITUATION WANTED—As waiter, by a Protestant young man; he understands his business well; he is sober, honest, and trustworthy; has no objection to go to the country. Address a note to this Office, or 341 Broadway, R. V.

SITUATION WANTED—By a Protestant young woman, as seamstress, nurse or chambermaid. No objections to the country. Apply or address ELIZABETH, No. 197 8th-av., near 20th-st.

SITUATION WANTED—By a neat tidy girl, to do general housework; is a good plain cook, and a first rate washer and ironer; is willing and obliging; is fond of children. No objection to City or country. Apply 241 Bowery.

SITUATION WANTED—By a Protestant girl of good character, as waitress, or would prefer to take care of children. She is permitted to refer to the lady of the house No. 104 West 12th-st., where she also may be seen.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young woman, to do plain sewing and assist around in a family, or as general housework. Good City reference can be given. Call at No. 220 East 29th-st., between 1st-av. and Avenue A, top floor, front.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young woman

## Rev. Philip Lindsley, D. D., LL. D.

NASHVILLE, Friday, May 25.

DEATH OF A CLERGYMAN.—Rev. Dr. LINDSLEY, President of the University of Nashville, and pastor of the New-Albany, Ind., died here at 1 o'clock to-day, from an attack of apoplexy, of Saturday morning.

The announcement, though brief in terms and unexpective right in the description of the subject, sounds the knell on earth of no ordinary man. "A Clergyman" he was, if in truth, and honored the title by his unaffected piety and truthful discharge of its sacred responsibilities. But he was also a Scholar of prodigious attainments; an Orator both in the pulpit and the halls of the University, of captivating eloquence and impressiveness, and a Teacher of more than thirty years' varied experience as Vice President of the College of New-Jersey and President of the University of Nashville. There were few more interesting men connected with the Literary Institutions of the West than PHILIP LINDSLEY; none that excelled him in zeal and profound scholarship, or enthusiastic devotion to the cause of Higher Learning. If to the world he seemed to have some peculiarities of disposition which removed him in a measure from the sympathies of his fellows, and conflicts of life, they were neither the "aggregation of darkness" nor the affectation of austerity; but the result entirely of his absorbing attention to the business of education, which kept him from assuming even the pastoral office for which he was eminently fitted, and in part, perhaps, the effect of a sturdy spirit of independence, which could neither stoop to cater for popularity among the masses nor tolerate the arts of the demagogue by which he believed this out of success is frequently attained.

## THE "CONTUMACIOUS WITNESSES."

Argument of Curtis Noyes, Esq.

COMMON PLEAS—Chambers—Saturday, May 26.

Before Hon. C. P. Daly.

The closing argument on behalf of the appellants in the case of Alderman Briggs, as Chairman of the Police Investigating Committee, against William McCleave and others, was delivered on Saturday by Mr. Curtis Noyes. The apparent public interest which was manifested during the earlier stages of this proceeding in reference to the probable denouement, would seem from the public attendance on the present occasion, if that can be considered a reliable index of popular sentiment, to have undergone a very serious collapse. Exclusive of the officers of the Court, the appellants with their counsel, and the Reporters, the audience at no time numbered more than eight persons.

In consequence of the absence of all the respondents' counsel in Brooklyn, it was proposed on their part, to the Court, that the argument be further adjourned until Monday.

To that proposal, however, Mr. Noyes was unable to assent, were at the sacrifice of subjecting the case to a probable adjournment for several weeks longer.

The prospect of such an event did not seem agreeable to either side, and ultimately it was arranged between the parties and the Court that Mr. Noyes should proceed, and that a stenographic report of his argument be made for the Corporation and presented to Mr. Jas. T. Brady, and the other counsel for the respondents.

Mr. Noyes accordingly went on. The question, he said, which your Honor has to determine in this case is one purely legal, and, of course, it is to be discussed upon the principles which lie at the foundation of the matter which is involved in the Constitution of the Commission who have called upon the Court to enforce a statute of the State. It has been sought to disparage the proceeding itself, in consequence of the alleged triviousness and trivial importance of the questions which have been put to the witnesses, and thus to induce a doubtful, I suppose, conviction to the power which the Constitution claims. For the purpose of meeting the views which have been presented on that subject, it is proper to look first at the Constitution of the body which claims your Honor's interposition. It is not a contest between mere individuals about making impertinent inquiries. On the other hand it is the Common Council of the City of New-York, in its highest and most important departments, representing a constituency of over half a million of persons, charged with the superintendence and control of the great commercial metropolis of the United States, wielding a legislative power superior to that controlled by many of the States, as well in reference to taxation as to the great purposes of Government, and all these things which come within the scope of legislative duties. And the question is, whether, in exercising that Government authority, under the ancient charters of the City, and under the laws which have been passed from time to time since those charters were given, for the purpose of improving the condition of the people, they have power to make inquiries for the purpose of performing the duties to which I have adverted that for any other purpose.

The Judge—There can be no doubt of the power of the Corporation, under the charter, to inquire into such matters as properly come within its legislative action. The terms of the charter are of the most comprehensive kind, so far as regards the legislature of the City.

Mr. Noyes—Then I shall be saved the necessity of going through with a very considerable portion of the argument which I have prepared on that portion of the subject.

The Judge—I do not wish to restrict you in anything you may wish to say, but in the present state of the argument I do not think there can be any doubt as to the power of the Corporation to investigate any matter appertaining to their legislative functions.

Mr. Noyes—I do not, therefore, think it is all necessary to argue a point in which I am satisfied the opinion of the Court is to be formed, except in a case where subsequently a doubt might arise.

The Judge—Perhaps it is safer for you to go on.

Mr. Noyes accordingly went on, and in an elaborate argument took points after point at issue, and disposed of it. When he had concluded, the Judge stated that in view of the importance to the Common Council of the questions involved in this case, he should, when coming to a determination in reference to them, consult his brethren on the Bench before publishing a final decision, more especially as no provision has been made for a review of the decision to be rendered by him, and as it would probably govern any future cases of the kind that might arise.

The Court then adjourned.

## LONG ISLAND.

**Demotion to Nathan Hale Chapter No. 86, O. U. A.**

A full length portrait of "Gen. WASHINGTON at Valley Forge," which cost about $200, was presented to the above named Chapter on Friday evening at the Odeon, by Pilot Street No. 2, of Williamsburg, and a splendid Bible was presented by a sister to the same Chapter. Addresses were made by Hon. T. R. WHITNEY, CHAUNCEY SCHAFFER, and others. About 1,000 ladies and gentlemen were present. Washington Chapter No. 2 entered from New-York at 6 P. M., by invitation, with about 100 of its members, among whom we noticed our distinguished fellow-citizen, and Police Investigator, Alderman BRIGGS, one of the founders of the Chapter, which was the second one established in this country. Chapter No. 2 is composed of about 800 members, and has a capital of $6,000. Several members of either branch of the Common Council are members of Washington Chapter No. 2, together with Commissioner HELMS, Coroner GARRIGUES, DANIEL ULLMANN and Jas. W. BARRIE. WALLACE'S BAND kindly accompanied Washington Chapter No. 2 to Williamsburg, on Friday evening, and played, sure enough, "some delightful open music." Several patriotic songs were sung, and altogether it was, one informant again remarks, "a most interesting, pleasing and happy occasion."

P. S.—Knickerbocker Branch was not there, being engaged on the other side of the Ferry, in drawing Atlantic for the Metropolitan Association, which is to come off next Wednesday.

**School Examination.**

The pupils of St. James School, Brooklyn, celebrated their Third Annual Exhibition at the Brooklyn Athenaeum, corner of Atlantic and Clinton street, under the direction of the Christian Brothers. Professor BERNEY presided on the occasion, and the celebrated Bayou Band was in attendance. The exhibition was attended by a large number of persons from New-York and Brooklyn, to the amount of eight or nine hundred persons. The occasion passed off pleasantly and satisfactorily.

**"Worrying Thistle."**

A colored boy, residing in the Eastern District of Brooklyn, while passing through Nassau-street, on the Western Division, on Monday evening, had a quantity of oil of vitriol thrown on his face. Yesterday he was severely, if not seriously, bitten by a dog belonging to Officer Mooney, of the First District Police, in the presence of a crowd, who took him to a house in Adams street, where he remained until the wagon came to take him to the City Hospital. The boy says that he cannot tell who it was that threw the vitriol on him, but he says he knows the dog belonging to the officer, and that he (the dog) worried him before he was bitten by the officer's dog.

**Missing Man Found Drowned.**

The body of JOHN SHERIDAN of North Seventh street, Eastern District of Brooklyn, was found on Friday in the East River, at the foot of North Second street. Deceased had been missing since the 13th inst. Coroner HANFORD held an inquest, when a verdict of found drowned was rendered.

**Man Given Into Police Custody.**

JACOB KEAPS, the boy who is charged with having caused the death of a boy named Ross, at Green Point, a full month since, and who was discharged by Coroner HANFORD, was on Friday committed by Recorder DI CESNOLA, Esq., to await the action of the Grand Jury.

## Terrific Tornado—Three Persons Killed—A House Carried up into the Air—Terrible Effects of the Whirlwind.

*From the Chicago Tribune, May 24.*

Never before has it been our duty to record an event so calamitous as that to which we now set down to write. The scene of the tragedy is still before our mind's eye: the wrecks of the tempest are still lying scattered about; but were it not for the unimpeachable character of our informants, eye-witnesses of the dreadful calamity, we should be inclined to believe that they had been laboring under some mental hallucination, and that what we are about to relate was but a dream of the imagination. The reality, however, is too true. The bodies of the three victims and the wreck of the other persons constitute evidence too palpable to be set aside.

Our readers will remember the violent hail storm that took place in this city yesterday afternoon between four and five o'clock, and the oppressive heat of the rest of the afternoon. At the same hour the events to which we allude took place in the town of Jefferson, near Jefferson Mills, 18 miles distant.

A cloud of a peculiar shape was first observed approaching from the northwest, and terminating in a funnel-shaped point, the apex towards and nearly touching the earth. As it came nearer, it was discovered to be a whirlwind, rapidly revolving, and whirling up various objects, in which were plainly seen large sticks of wood, boards, small trees and chairs. It was coming towards, our informants, but did not reach them, but turned to their right, described a semi-circle, and fell upon a large frame house. In an instant, and with a crash, the roof was torn off, and immediately the whole house was lifted from its foundation, literally torn to pieces and the pieces carried up in the heavy vortex. The furniture in the house, all of it, shared the same fate, the weight of the articles appearing no obstacle to their ascent whatever.

And now we come to a part of the narrative sad indeed to relate. In the house were nine persons. They were all drawn up into the air, and fell at different distances and with great violence to the ground. The wife of one of the eye-witnesses, Mrs. PAGE, and two of her children, were instantly killed. All the other persons in the house were greatly injured. The injuries, with two exceptions, consist of singular and heavy bruises all over the body. One man had his arm broken, and another his wrist badly sprained. Mr. PAGE had narrowly escaped from being drawn up into the air by holding on to the large rock. The house stood upon four large granite boulders. These were all moved several feet from their places.

The whirlwind went on and passed diagonally across a post and rail fence. Of this it tore up twenty rods so effectually, that there is not the slightest vestige of a fence remaining. From this it passed to the barn, tore away one side of it and threw it against a horse, causing his death. The side of the barn then fell down on three calves, and injured them so badly that they died during the night.

The whirlwind seemed to pass off in a southward direction.

Many of the fragments of the buildings, &c., fell to the ground from a great height. In coming down they fell nearly perpendicularly, and entered the ground like stakes. Hundreds of these were counted by our informant.

The force of the storm was tremendous. Not only were the boards torn off from the beams to which they were nailed, but the beams themselves were wrenched asunder.

The whirlwind was accompanied by a storm of hail, many of the hailstones being of the size of walnuts. Some of them were nine inches in circumference.

We have neither space nor inclination for comment on this sad affair to-day. Nothing like it has ever occurred here before, and we hope never will again. It realizes the utmost horrors of a South American tornado. Had it spent its force in the city, hundreds of deaths might have marked its progress.

## MARKET REPORTS.

**Markets**—*Carefully reported for New-York Daily Times*

SATURDAY, May 26—6 P. M.

ASHES—Are still unchanged. The Inspection Warehouse contained to-day only 150 bbls. Pearls and 253 bbls. Pots—together 403 bbls.

COFFEE—Is apparently the same, sales having been made of 150 mats Java at 14c.; 250 bags Maracaibo at 14½c. cash; 100 Rio at 9½c.@10½c., and 50 St. Domingo at 9½c. 9 ℔.

COTTON—Continues in brisk demand, and is steadily increasing in price. The day's sales have amounted to about 3,000 bales within our range:

| NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION. | Uplands. | Florida. | Mobile. | New-Orleans and Texas. |
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| Ordinary | 9¼ | 9¼ | 9¼ | 9¼ |
| Middling | 10¾ | 11 | 11¼ | 11¼ |
| Middling Fair | 11¼ | 11¼ | 12 | 12¼ |
| Fair | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 |

FISH—Dry Cod are in light supply, and are needed, at $3 87½@4 12½ ⅌ cwt. A limited business is being transacted in other articles, at unaltered rates.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western brands are in good request, and with rather less eagerness to realize. Among owners there is renewed firmness in prices of nearly all desirable qualities. The day's transactions include 7,000 bbls., chiefly for immediate delivery, within the annexed range:

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| Ordinary State | $10 25@10 37½ |
| Straight State | 10 37½@10 50 |
| Favorite State | 10 50@10 62½ |
| Mixed Western | 10 25@10 37½ |
| Common to Good Indiana and Michigan | 10 37½@10 50 |
| Fancy Michigan | 10 50@10 62½ |
| Common to Good Ohio | 10 31½@10 50 |
| Fancy Ohio | 10 50@10 62½ |
| Extra Ohio | 10 75@13 00 |
| Extra Indiana and Michigan | 10 50@11 00 |
| Fancy Genesee | 10 50@10 75 |
| Extra Genesee | 11 00@12 00 |

Canadian is entirely inquired for, and is firmer. There were 3,500 bbls. common to extra disposed of at $10 50@11 37½ ⅌ bbl. Southern is still arriving in small quantities, and as it is in good request, holders have the advantage. The day's business includes 1,000 bbls. mixed to extra grades at from $11 30@12 ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is moderately active and steady in price, with sales of fine and superfine, at $7 25@$8 50 ⅌ bbl. Jersey Corn Meal is dull and heavy, at $3 18@$3 25 ⅌ bbl.

FRUIT—There is less activity in the market, but one can notice no particular change in prices. Stocks of the principal articles reduced.

GRAIN—Wheat is without material variation, sales having been made of 1,000 bush. prime Michigan White at ⅌ 2 ⅌ $5, and 3,000 good Canadian do. at $2 60 ⅌ bush. The general supply is still a very light one. Rye is in better request, and is if anything, more valuable. The day's operations include about 4,000 bush., mostly at $1 09 ⅌ bush. Barley is unaltered. Oats are still in poor stock and fair demand, at 71c.@71c. for State and Western, and 65c.@71c. for Jersey and good to prime Southern, ⅌ bush. Corn remains abundant and languid in price, though there exists a good inquiry, chiefly for home use. The day's business consists of 78,000 bush. at $1 05@$1 11 for Western mixed, closing at about $1 05 for good quality, and $1 15 for Southern White, here, and $1 04 for Western mixed, deliverable in August.

HAY—Sales were made of 750 bales River at $1 12½@$1 25 ⅌ 100 lbs.

HIDES—Are more freely offered, and are in less active demand at drooping prices. The stock on hand this morning reached 77,574 hides, including 17,300 Buenos Ayres, 700 Rio Grande, 24,700 Orinoco, 1,600 Savanilla, 5,000 Porto Cabello, part coarse wire, 4,900 African, 7,400 Maracaibo, &c., 600 Maranham, &c., 1,400 Mexicanos, 600 Demerara, 1,800 Chagres, 7,600 California, 1,000 West India, 1,600 Southern, &c., and 791 Sandwich Island.

HOPS—We hound that 40 bales last year's crop have been disposed of at 16c.@20c. ⅌ ℔.

IRON—The market is seemingly inactive, and prices generally favor buyers.

LATHS—Eastern are worth $1 50@$1 62½ ⅌ M. They are not so freely offered.

LEAD—Remains dull and heavy, without change in value.

LEATHER—No important alteration is discernable in this line. The supply is not adequate to the wants of buyers, and in this circumstance is attributed the restriction of sales; but prices have not varied much.

LIME—Rockland is quiet and depressed, at 80c. for common, and $1 12½ for lump, ⅌ bbl.

MOLASSES—The day's sales have been confined to 100 bbls. New-Orleans, at 31c., and 70 hhds. Cuba Muscovado at 27c.@28c. ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Are generally quiet, but firm. The supplies are moderate.

OIL—Whale and Sperm are unaltered. Olive is inactive and languid. Linseed rules quiet, yet is pretty stiffly held at 91c.@92c. ⅌ gallon. Nothing new has occurred in Lard Oil.

PROVISIONS—Pork is in improved request at buoyant rates, with sales of 2,000 bbls. at $14 62½@$14 50 for new Prime; $17 75 for new Mess; and $16 62½ for old Mess ⅌ bbl. here, and $14 50 for Prime, deliverable all next month. The principal part of the sales were of this kind. Dressed Hogs are unchanged. Cut Meats are doing better, the business including 600 pkgs. at 9½c.@9½c. for Hams, and 7½c.@7½c. for Shoulders ⅌ ℔. Bacon has not varied. Lard is dull and drooping. The operations amount to 500 bbls. and tcs. at prices ranging from 10½c.@10½c. ⅌ ℔. Beef is pretty freely sought after at buoyant prices, with sales of 450 bbls. at $3 00@$9 50 for Prime; $10@$12 50 for Country Mess; $15@$18 50 for repacked Mess, and $16 50@$19 50 for extra do. ⅌ bbl. Prime Mess Beef is moderately inquired for within a range of from $20@$22 ⅌ tc. Beef Hams are sought at from $16@$20 ⅌ bbl. Butter is unchangeable in Ohio, for sale; Ohio; 19c.@20c. for Ordinary to Good, and 22c.@23c. for choice do. ⅌ ℔. Cheese is worth from 7½c.@8c. ⅌ ℔.

RICE—There have been 60 tcs. purchased at old quotations.

SUGARS—We have only to report sales of 500 hhds. Cuba and New-Orleans, mostly the former, at 6½c.@6½c. ⅌ ℔.

FLOUR—There were 37,000 ℔s. prime taken at 11½c. ⅌ ℔.

WHISKY—Sales of 12,000 bbls. Ohio and Prime are reported since our last at 26½c.@27c. ⅌ gallon.

## FOR SALE.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—Situated in the handsome village of Tarrytown, within five minutes' walk of the dep't. Location healthy and pleasant, with a beautiful view of the river. The lot has about two hundred feet of river front, a good, never-failing spring of water, a plentiful supply of grapes and other fruit, &c. The house is nearly finished, and rates were moderate. Inquire of JOHN F. GRIFFIN, No. 8 Maiden-lane, or of the subscriber on the premises. URIAH FIELD.

HOUSE AND LAND FOR SALE—At a sacrifice, a handsome place of 18 acres, with handsome house, 86 feet front and 31 feet deep; good cellar and kitchen; situated half a mile from White Plains, on the Harlem Railroad; quarter of a mile from station, surrounded by Brown Dove Hill, Old Post Road, Hobokenk Ferry, Apply on the premises, or EDWARD EARLE.

HOUSE FOR SALE—A good 2-story house, together with 2 acres of land, barn and other out-houses, fruit trees, &c.; pleasantly situated, about 5 minutes' walk from the Depôt in Stratford, Conn. Inquire of JOSEPH CURTIS, Stratford, Conn.

HOUSE FOR SALE OR TO LET AT ASTORIA—A good two story house, with 2 lots of ground, at convenient walk from the landing. Apply at No. 34 Pine-st., second floor, front office.

COTTAGE FOR SALE AT NEWPORT, R. I.—The house has been built under the strictly supervision of a competent architect, and will be ready for occupancy by the 1st of June. It has a kitchen, laundry and cellars in the basement, a parlor 16x20, library 16x20, dining-room 16x17½, with pantry having hot and cold water, finish walnut and closet attached; principal chamber 16x20, with dressing-room attached; hall, 8x14, on the first floor; marble mantels in the parlor, dining-room and library; windows of the parlor and library open to the floor, and on a piazza 8 feet wide surrounding three sides of the cottage. On the 2d floor are five bedrooms and bath-room and water-closet.

In the attic are three good bedrooms and a store-room. These are three views of the ocean from every room in the house.

The stable has accommodation for four horses, and ample room for carriages.

The situation is unsurpassed for beauty, and commands a view of the ocean, with a fine water-front. The lawn is in fine grass.

The owner expects to go to Europe, which is the only reason why he is willing to sell the cottage and a part of his lot—not below drop, and to rent.

The price of the cottage, stable and two acres of ground is $10,000. If more land be required, it can be had at a moderate price. Apply to

B. CAMPBELENO, Esq., No. 12 Wall-st.

COTTAGES AT CLIFTON, STATEN ISLAND, TO LET.—A new cottage, containing 11 rooms, and let out to with every convenience for a genteel family. There is great variety of fruit, and a large garden, a farm of land, handsomely laid out, a large vegetable garden, and a variety of fruit. Spring and cistern water in both houses and stables. It is situated about one mile from Vanderbilt's landing, and commands a fine view of the bay, City, Brooklyn, &c. Also, the house and store immediately on the shore, near the landing, with one acre of land. It is a most eligible situation for a first-class grocery and boarding-house. For further particulars, apply to

LEVI COOK, No. 21 Broadway.

BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY SEAT AT TARRYTOWN, within five minutes of the Railroad Station, commanding a fine view of the Hudson River, a brick Gothic cottage, built in cottage style, with all the modern improvements, suitable for a gentleman's residence; two large parlors with marble mantels and grate, a library and two large bedrooms, with wardrobes, on the first floor; kitchen, dining-room, vegetable cellar, wood and coal cellar, store room, pantries, closets, &c. In the second story, four bedrooms, with wardrobes, in second story, ample garret, servants' enclosed stairway to second story; hot air furnace and cooking range, which operate very satisfactorily; piazza front and rear; the walls are 15 inches thick from the foundation to the top of the chimney; 2 acres of land, with garden, well stocked with trees and shrubbery; a convenient carriage house, &c. Would sell low, or exchange for eligible City property, as the owner's business makes it desirable that he should live in the City. Immediate possession could be given.

WM. F. LYON, No. 25 Beekman-st., N. Y.

ELEGANT COUNTRY RESIDENCE FOR SALE, with the furniture, carriage, &c., and 50 acres of land, 17 miles from New-York, in Bergen, New Jersey, on the banks of the Hudson, and commanding a magnificent view. The house is in the Gothic style, lately built with the best materials and filled in with every convenience, and the place can be seen at the office of F. D'EVELLY, No. 18 Exchange-place.

RESIDENCE IN GENEVA FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPERTY.—One of the most beautifully located residences in the village of Geneva, on the banks of Seneca Lake, 400 feet front on Main-street; house is a well arranged two-story double house, filled in with brick, 50x60, and one-story wing 32x42, piazza in rear 60 feet long; marble mantels and grates in parlors, hall nine feet wide; the grounds are enclosed by a hawthorn hedge, and tastefully and ornamentally laid out with trees and shrubs, brick cistern, stone well of never failing water, vegetable garden and orchard, carriage house, stables and sheds. Will sell the entire premises, or lease. Also, immediately in front of the same, 10 acres of choice land. Apply to ADRIAN H. MULLER, No. 28 Wall-st.

RESIDENCE AND GROUNDS FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.—Beautiful grounds, west side Washington, between Fulton and Gates-ave.; stable, hennery, &c.; either 3 or 4 lots, choice fruit, &c. Larger part of purchase can remain on mortgage. Apply to

JOHN V. COLE, No. 37 South-st.

WALNUT COTTAGE WITH THREE ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE.—A picturesque house containing 12 rooms, delightfully situated on the eastern slope of the Orange Mountains, Orange, N. J., 45 minutes from the City by the Morris and Essex Railroad. Full particulars at HOMER MORGAN'S, No. 1 Pine-st.

WILLIAMSBURG LOTS FOR SALE.—Four lots on South 5th-st., between 1st and 2d; 4 lots on South 4th-st., between 4th-st. and Union-av.; 4 lots corner of South Ainslie-st. and Lots on 9th-st., between North 2d and Ainslie-st. and Ainslie-st. between 2d and Ainslie. Apply to GEO. STEVENSON, No. 45 Wall-st.

$8,000 OF WHICH $6,000 MAY REMAIN ON BOND AND MORTGAGE.—For sale, a desirable Country Residence and Farm on Staten Island, containing 40 acres, with the crops on the same. This Farm may be made to net 6 per cent. per annum on the price; is probably the cheapest property in the vicinity of New-York. If not sold within a few days will be taken out of the market for the present. For further particulars inquire of

SAMUEL EDDY, No. 62 Wall-st.

FOUR LOTS FOR SALE—Located on the northerly side of 24th-st., between 8th and Madison-avs., lying 100 feet east of 8th-av., 100 feet front and rear, and 98 feet 9 inches deep, very desirable for private residences, and a very commanding location for a church or public institution.

T. N. HOLLISTER, No. 14 Pine-st.

EAST NEW-YORK CENTRAL LOTS FOR SALE.—An entire tract, and other buildings, located on accommodating terms of payment. East New-York is growing rapidly—is as easy and cheap of access as 30th-st. Apply for terms, plans of building, &c., to C. B. MILLER & CO., Auctioneers, No. 195 Broadway.

NEAT COTTAGE FOR SALE, AND TWO ACRES OF LAND—With every variety of fruit trees, berry, shade, ornamental trees, &c.; commanding a beautiful view of the surrounding country; situated in North Hoboken, three miles from the Hoboken Ferry. Apply on the premises, or EDWARD EARLE.

BUILDING LOTS AND FARMS FOR SALE—In the most well Farms, within one hour from Jersey City, by the Morris and Essex Railroad, and lots on the Bergen Plank Road, for sale on favorable terms. Apply to WM. EGOLF, No. 1 New-st., third floor.

COTTAGE AND LOT ON STATEN ISLAND—In Lots to suit purchasers, from 3 to 10 acres. Also, a fine stone cottage, with out-buildings, and 10 acres of land, adjoining. Inquire of D. PORTER LORD, No. 66 Water-st.

LEASE AND FURNITURE OF A FIRST CLASS LIQUOR FOR SALE—In a neighboring city, doing a good business. The furniture but one year old. For information apply of HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Metropolitan Bank Building.

LEASE FOR SALE.—Lease of a lot 25 feet front by 100 feet deep, on West 14th-st., near 6th-av., with 3 years to run. Will be sold cheap. Inquire of JAMES MORRIS & CO., Coal Office, No. 319 East 32d-st.

LOT FOR SALE.—One lot in 26th-st., north side, near 11th-av., middle lot, will be sold cheap. Apply to E. GREGORY, No. 6 Park-place, from 10 to 2 o'clock.

STEAM ENGINE FOR SALE.—One second hand 20 inch cylinder, 4 ft. stroke, with three boilers of 24 feet in length, all in good order. Apply of

D. W. INGERSOLL, No. 18 Wall-st.

GAS FIXTURES, GAS FITTING, &c.—Persons wishing gas fixtures, or gas fitting, &c., done, will be found at the store of BROWN & HELMUTH, formerly with other carvers, and had regular experience in making that go home in New-York and other cities, same as regular goods.

## HOUSES, &c. WANTED.

HOUSE IN NEW-YORK WANTED IN EXCHANGE FOR ONE IN BROOKLYN—A gentleman who has his business in this City, wishes to exchange his house in Brooklyn for one in New-York. Advertiser will be at the store, 110 Fulton-st., corner of Nassau-st., from 10 to 12 to-day only. Price not exceeding $12,000. Address or call on SUTHERLY, Real Estate Office, corner of Fulton-st. and Myrtle-av., Brooklyn.

## TO LET.

HOUSES TO LET.—The three-story brick houses, Nos. 112 and 114 Hudson-st., corner of Hicks-st., about six minutes' walk from the South Ferry, Brooklyn. These houses are well adapted for genteel families, in thorough condition, with all the modern improvements. Will be let low. Apply to Mr. LATIMER, at No. 102 Hudson-st.

HOUSE TO LET IN THE SEVENTH WARD.—A modern three-story and basement house, with gas and water throughout; every is finished, and large yard. Corners, eligible, and possession of premises 1st of May next. Rent $350. Inquire at Commercial Reporter Office, No. 12 Beekman-st.

HOUSES TO LET OR LEASE—Very low, as the owner is about going out of the City, two four-story English tenement houses with all the improvements, Nos. 112 and 114 East 26th-st., near Lexington-av.; houses built one year, and finished in the best manner, possession immediately. Inquire on the premises.

HOUSE TO LET.—The four-story and basement house, No. 10 Rivington, with hot and cold water, range, bath and gas in perfection. Possession can be had immediately. Apply to J. H. THORNE, from 8 till 10, and from 7 till 7 A. M., at No. 106 Walker-st.

HOUSES TO LET.—Nos. 184, 186 and 188 West 26th-st., between Broadway and 7th-av. Rent moderate. Apply will answer immediately. Inquire of MACFARLAN & WHERRY, No. 42 M-st.

HOUSE TO LET.—The four-story and basement dwelling house, No. 58 4th-st., south side, between Broadway and Mercer-st. Apply to HENRY F. McGOWAN, sto. of Nassau-st.

BUILDINGS TO LET OR FOR SALE—Suitable for wholesale and Retail business. These new four-story buildings, No 11 Atlantic-st., being on the corner of Columbia-st. and Nos. 10 and 12 Atlantic-st. These buildings are heavily timbered, well ventilated, with hoists, and are located within five minutes' walk from Catskill Dock, Hudson River Rail Road Depôt, and have a good chance for city and country trade. On account of their depôt being the Long Island stations market, and being nearer to the retail grocers of Brooklyn than any other depôt, and being the retail grocers of Brooklyn there, it would be a good chance for any wholesale grocery, provision dealers. If required, the present owner would join partner in the establishment. Inquire on the premises of T. F. REISENBUTTEL, or T. E. THORN, Baker, No. 11 Atlantic-st.

COTTAGES TO LET AT CASTLETON, STATEN ISLAND.—Two large and comfortable cottages, containing two parlors, four bedrooms, dining-room, kitchen and cellar, well supplied with water, and located in one within five minutes' walk from Castleton Landing, and 12 from New Brighton Landing. Inquire of BARRETT, NEPHEWS & CO., No. 4 John-st., or of Dr. E. C. MUNDY, near the premises. Rent $250.

FURNISHER COUNTRY HOUSE TO LET.—A large and well furnished house of fourteen rooms, located on the water at Bay, one hour from 26th-st. by New-Haven Railroad; beautiful grounds, fine fruit, &c.; bath, fish, bathing, boating, &c. Rent $400 for season. Is filled. Rent $400 to November. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Metropolitan Bank Building, Pine-st.

25 MAIDEN-LANE, FRONT OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR—To let or lease, a very desirable lot, as to size and locality, for a WATCH IMPORTER or dealer in FANCY GOODS, or JEWELRY. Also, a FRONT ROOM on the third floor. Inquire on the premises of A. MORTON & CO.

PARTLY FURNISHED HOUSE AT CLIFTON, STATEN ISLAND, TO LET—Is now vacant, and within a walk of Vanderbilt's Landing. The grounds are well arranged and beautifully shaded. Terms moderate. Inquire of R. S. HOWES, residing on the premises, or of Mr. CHESTER FLOWER, No. 71 Broadway, to state.

PART OF HOUSE TO LET—No. 126 East 21d-st., to a family of two or three persons, or a suite of rooms would be let to two or three gentlemen, furnished. The house has all the modern improvements. Inquire at the house before 10 or after 3 o'clock, or at store No. 707½ Broadway, during the day.

ROOMS TO LET.—In small American families, in a Morris Square, Bronx, consisting of five rooms, with bath, Croton water, &c., in the new houses in West 19th-st., between the 7th and 8th-avs. Rents from $9 50 to $12 50 per month. Apply on the premises, No. 140 West 19th-st., from 3 to 5 o'clock P. M.

THE WHARF AND SITES LOTS OF GROUND TO LET—Between 55th and 60th sts., N. R. The above property is well adapted to the purposes of a coal yard, lumber yard, or for any other purpose that may arrive. Apply to L. E. WARD, or A. M. LYON, 21 Wall-st.

WORKSHOPS TO LET—With steam power; well lighted and convenient, at Nos. 211, 213 and 215 Chatham, and Nos. 197 and 199 Bowery, Old Times, Chase, Peale and Moody power. Apply to HARTMAN & OSBORN, No. 187 Walker-st.

BUILDING NO. 201 AMOS-STREET TO LET—Suitable for packing house or manufacturing purposes. Inquire of G. H. LAWLORD, No. 309 Water-st.

LARGE CHAPEL OF THE UNIVERSITY TO LET.—Any religious worship from the 1st May next. Inquire of the Janitor.

OFFICE AND FURNISHED ROOM, TO LET.—A large and pleasant front basement office, suitable for a fashionable tailor, or any other business, large and small, with hot and cold baths and gas, at No. 125 Amity-st.

STORES OR WAREHOUSES TO LET.—In the second story of Appleton's Building, corner of Leonard-st. and Broadway, suitable for any business requiring a portion of goods to be kept on Broadway. No more desirable position to be found on Broadway. Apply to D. APPLETON & CO., Nos. 346 and 348 Broadway.

STEADY POWER AND LIGHT ROOMS TO LET.—A few rooms, and one store with two fronts, still untenanted on Canal, Elm and Walker-sts. The extension of Canal-st. adds new advantages to this position. Apply to Mr. GANDU, No. 128 Walker-st.

STEAM POWER TO LET.—In light and airy rooms in a new building in City Hotel. Apply to

J. O. HULL & SON, No. 102 Cliff-st.

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## BUSINESS CHANCES.

WHOLESALE DRUG BUSINESS.—A drug house in the City, now doing a fine business, being about to retire from the business, desires to dispose of their fixtures and custom on advantageous terms. More or less of stock on hand may be taken as desired, and every facility in power of present concern would be afforded for the prosperous conduct of the business. The class of trade is excellent, mostly short time accounts, and the services of valuable employees may be retained. The location on the North River side, in the centre of improvements, will warrant the increase of sales in full proportion to capital and energies invested. For further particulars address KINSLEY & DARLING, No. 9 Vesey-st., New-York.

AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS.—A very old established hanging store—an old established stand, and doing a good business—in a good location, where trade is yearly increasing. For particulars, address L. F., Times Office.

GAS GENERATING APPARATUS FOR SALE CHEAP FOR CASH, with Gasometer—Will hold about 400 feet of gas; all complete. Apply to JOSEPH HARPER, No. 414 West 26th-st.

## ZINC PAINTS.

ZINC PAINT.—The undersigned, Agents for the sale of the above Paint, manufactured by the PENNSYLVANIA AND LEHIGH ZINC COMPANY, are prepared to receive orders for the same, and would invite the attention of the trade to its evident superiority over others of American manufacture, and the most successful competition with the best foreign brands, can with confidence depend upon always obtaining any desired supply of this Paint, which will be found to recommend itself for purity, great body, and uniform whiteness. Prices and terms arranged on the most liberal footing.

JAMES T. LEWIS & CO., No. 82 Water-st.

## COPARTNERSHIP.

THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXISTING BETWEEN the subscribers, under the name of SHIPLEY & FOELKE, has been dissolved by mutual consent. CHARLES FOELKE has become sole owner of the effects, and assumes the liabilities of said firm and alone, who is therefore, authorized to receive the same.

MORRIS SHIPLEY, Jr.,

New-York, 5th Mo., 15, 1855. CHAS. FOELKE.

NOTICE.—The subscribers have this day taken Mr. GEORGE FULLER into copartnership, under the name of FULLER & LORD.

FULLER & LORD, No. 249 Greenwich-st.

May 1, 1855.

## TO FARMERS AND OTHERS.

FLOWERS, BULBS AND PLANTS—Of all kinds, hardy and green-house, in quantities to suit purchasers. Also, garden seeds, by the lb., oz., pkt. or bushel, at low prices, by BRAMME & CO., corner of Washington and Barclay-sts.

TAX COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,

No. 66 Chambers-st., City Hall, Room No. 1.

NOTICE TO POSTS AND ASSESSORS.—The Assessment Rolls of the several Wards of the City of New-York will be opened for examination and revision from MONDAY, the 21st of May, until MONDAY, the 28th day of June, inclusive. The revised portions of assessment rolls will be ready for the said Rolls, are ready, and be ready for application to the undersigned, at the Tax Office, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEO. T. JUDSON, } Tax Commissioners.

WM. FROST.

PAPER HANGINGS, CEILING TRADE.—R. L. & F. HOWARD, 119 Nassau-st., near Fulton, are now prepared, entirely for parlors, dining-rooms, bedrooms, &c., which they offer at prices which cannot be surpassed by any other house in the trade. Also, a large assortment of window shades, fine gilt cornices, &c., to suit the times. All work warranted to be the best of its kind.

WHITE ROOF OF CHARCOAL TAR—Is a Superior Article for Roofs, Houses, Boats, Bridges, &c. Also, Pitch, Tar, Rosin, Oil, Turpentine, Varnish, Glue, Brushes, &c. Manufactured and for sale by W. W. DOUBLEDAY, No. 1 Dey-st., New-York.

WHITE WOOD FLOORING.—WILLIAM WOOD PERKINS, WHITE WOOD FLOORING, 1 Dey-st., New-York.

## FINANCIAL.

MESSRS. DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO., BANKERS, No. 63 Wall-st., New-York, issue CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT on the following Cities:

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## AUCTION SALES.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Auctioneer.

**SUPERBE MOINES AT AUCTION.**—REGULARLY ALBERT H. NICOLAY will sell THIS DAY, May 28, at 12 o'clock, at the two spacious salerooms, No. 118 Nassau-st., the following valuable Stocks:

$6,000 Chicago and Milwaukee Railroad 1st Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds.....$1,000 each
$10,000 Illinois Central 7 per cent. Bonds.....$1,000 each
$4,000 Cleveland and Toledo Railroad 7 per cent. Convertible Income Bonds.....$1,000 each
$10,000 Harlem Railroad 1st Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds.....$1,000 each
$1,000 New Haven Railroad 6 per cent. Bonds.....$1,000 each
$4,000 Hartford and Fishkill Railroad (Cash on Branch).....$1,000 each
$9,000 Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien Railroad.....$1,000 each
100 shares Reading Railroad.....$100 each
10 shares Northampton Railroad.....$100 each
10 shares Chatham Bank.....$100 each
10 shares Chatham Bank.....$25 each
Also, the amount of other valuable securities.
10 shares Pacific Fire Insurance Company.....$25 each
10 shares Mechanics' Fire Insurance Company.....$25 each
5 shares Park Fire Insurance Company.....$100 each
10 shares Hope Mutual Fire Insurance Company.....$100 each
1,000 shares New York and Shamokin Mining Company, Hydrometer.....$5 each

TERMS OF SALE—Ten percent down Monday, and the balance before 3 o'clock to-morrow. The accrued interest on the Bonds will be added to the purchase money.

W. J. SELLON, Auctioneer.

**DR. HOUGHTON & MELLON.**—ASSIGNEES' SALE.—THIS DAY, at 10½ o'clock, at the two spacious salerooms, No. 118 Nassau-st., by order of the assignees for benefit of creditors, will be sold, made by HALLET, DAVIS & CO., of Boston, 1855, under of mortgage: 700 gas chandeliers, from $10 each, to new; 2 massive chandeliers of a magnificent rich description of superior French-made furniture—such as is rare to offered at auction; several elegant rosewood wardrobes, mirror doors, cabinet, rosewood in incrustation, black walnut and mahogany, rosewood marble-top washstands, black walnut and rosewood parlor furniture, black walnut and oak dining and sideboards, black walnut and oak bedsteads, marble-top centre, card and side tables, mahogany French bedsteads, mahogany parlor chairs, secretary and bookcases, black walnut and mahogany dressing bureaus

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## NEW-YORK CITY

### MORE MURDERS.

A Man Stabbed Yesterday—A Mysterious Way-Side Affair and Nearly Killed—Capture of the Murderer—Investigation by the Authorities—During the past forty-eight hours our City has again been shocked into excitement by the perpetration of two brutal murders, one in the FIFTH and the other in the FIRST Ward. A serious altercation took place in Mulberry-street, near Walker-street, about 8 o'clock Saturday evening, between two laboring men, named THOMAS GILLEN and HUGH DOWNELLY, which resulted in a fight. The disputants engaged about the ownership of some tobacco and shortly thereafter they had retreated from the old building, in the course of destruction in that vicinity.

Scarcely had the actors disposed after the fracas, expressed within the hearing of their wives, and almost immediately they were seen struggling together on the sidewalk in front of GILLEN's residence, on the top of GILLEN, and DOWNELLY was from his group. It is the general report among the DOWNELLY received the mortal wound from GILLEN at this time.

The alarm in evidence that occurred did finally succeed in extricating himself from his adversary, and after disappearing a few due he fell to the ground a corpse. The body of the murdered man was immediately conveyed to his residence, No. 62 Mulberry-street, and in the excitation the assailant had fled. The Police of the First Ward were sent in all directions in pursuit of the fugitive, and he was at length captured by Police Officer SUTCLIFF, of the First District Police Court, and fully committed by Justice SCHARF to await the Coroner's action.

THE CORONER'S INQUISITION.

Yesterday morning a rigid inquiry into this horrible affair was commenced before Coroner O'DONNELL, who summoned the following persons on the Jury:

Thomas Ryan, No. 8 Mulberry-street; Thomas Ryan, No. 37 Mulberry-street; Thomas Ryan, No. 37 Mulberry-street; Thomas Ryan, No. 37